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Reward offered for arrest of library vandals

Friends of the Crawford County Libraries, a fund-raising nonprofit support group of the local library system, is offering a \$500 cash reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of whoever vandalized the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library just recently.

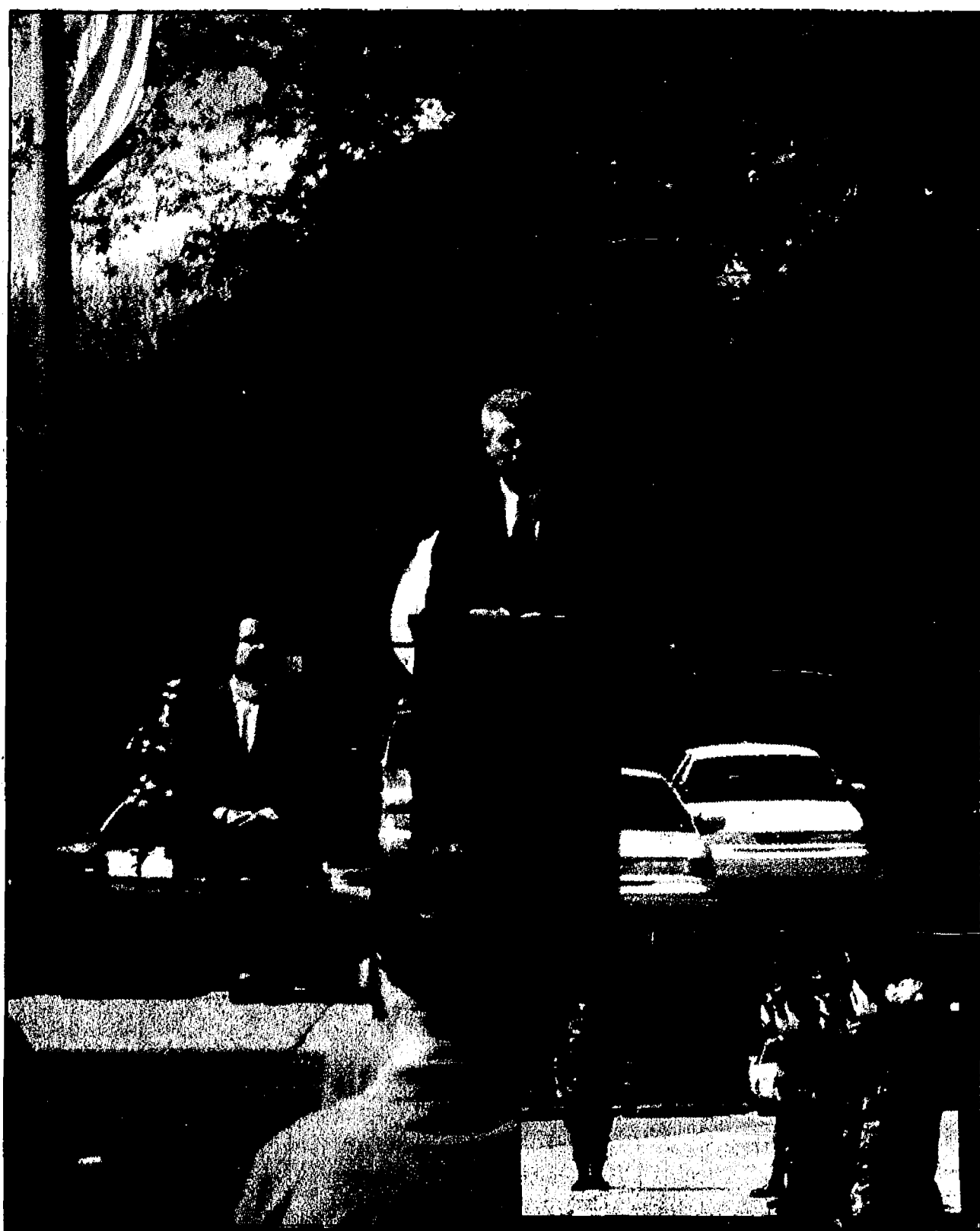
"We feel this cowardly and senseless destruction to such a wonderful building is unconscionable," stated a letter from the Friends' Board of Directors. "We also believe those responsible should suffer incarceration and public chastisement from their peers."

A large thermopane window in the rear of the building was broken and the book return box was spray painted by the vandal or vandals.

Any person or organization wishing to add to this reward fund may mail a check or money order to 201 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738, or drop off the funds at the library. Make donations payable to Friends of the Library - Vandalism Fund.

Information regarding this vandalism should be given to either Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner or Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield.

Honoring the blue and brown



Photos by Cheryl Ruley

Retired Michigan State Police Post Commander Arthur J. Wakeley addressed the those in attendance at the Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony, hosted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office on May 15 as part of National Police Week. Seated is Rev. Elizabeth Chace who gave the invocation and benediction. For more, see "Honoring the blue..." on Page 3A.

County opts into DDA

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners agreed unanimously to be part of the proposed Grayling Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and passed a resolution stating guidelines it can live by at a special meeting May 14.

The concept of a DDA to fund improvements through a Tax Incremental Financing Plan (TIFP) for the purpose of enhancing the downtown area, and attracting businesses and customers, was first approved about three years ago by the County Board when it was last proposed, advised Commissioner Scott Hanson. Grayling City officials at that time decided not to adopt a DDA.

On an ever tightening budget due to Proposal A and escalating costs, County Board members expressed in their resolution concerns about their responsibility to the tax payers and a need to apply certain conditions as part of exercising their option to be included in the DDA.

Commissioner Shelley Pinkelman aired some concern about making conditions for "opting in" to the DDA, that the county may not be showing full support of the adoption by adding such stipulations.

County Chair Lynnette Corlew said the County is allowed to negotiate certain conditions to participate in the DDA.

The County Commissioners agreed to the following conditions:

- The County will allow the capture of 100% of the incremental taxes for the County, Commission on Aging and the Grayling Recreational Authority up to a capped amount of \$50,000 through 2009.

- Any incremental tax revenue that exceeds \$50,000 in any given year will be distributed to the taxing jurisdictions of the County by a percentage of the total millage.

- The County will allow the capture of 75% of the incremental taxes for the county, from 2010 through 2020. However, the tax revenue of Commission on Aging and the Grayling Recreational Authority will no longer be allowed to be captured.

- After the summer tax of 2020, the County will no longer permit the capture of incremental taxes.

- Board members of the Commission on Aging and the Grayling Recreational Authority have voted to opt in to the DDA at their recent respective meetings as a show of support.

Commissioner Dave Stephenson said he agreed with the recent Community Assessment Team report that the proposed DDA area be reduced and the \$50,000 allowed by the County through 2009 will give the DDA the boost it needs to get started toward creating a thriving business district.

State finds jail in full compliance

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Following an inspection by the Michigan Department of Corrections' County Jail Services Unit, the Crawford County Jail was found to be in full compliance with state Administrative Rules for Jails and Lockups.

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield shared the good news with the Crawford County Board of Commissioners during the Law Enforcement Committee meeting on May 14.

MDOC Correctional Facility Specialist Dennis Steenrod conducted the inspection on April 10, conferring with Crawford Jail Administrator Captain Scott Feldhauser who oversees the 51-bed facility.

In previous years, before Wakefield's administration, jail inspections yielded noncompliance status due to a shortage in Corrections Officers and the inability of jail officials to continuously monitor certain jail cells.

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First of the season



Four-year old Audrey West was the first person this year to stop by the Avalanche office with her morel mushrooms found in an area off of North Down River Road on May 13. She was accompanied by her grandfather, Rich Wroblewski (not shown).

Photo by Cheryl Ruley

Minors caught drinking offered a different kind of detention

► Work projects needed locally; noncommercial agencies eligible

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Beginning this summer, those aged 17-20 years of age charged with their second offense of minor in possession (MIP) of alcohol -- whether still in the bottle or in their person -- will be offered a new way to serve out their punishment.

The Northeast Michigan Community Corrections Advisory Board has found in the past year it has been placing a lot of people in long-term treatment programs.

The Board is attempting to reach out and educate young offenders earlier on to avoid long-term treatment costs farther down the road.

The Board, tasked with finding alternatives to jail time for low-risk, non-violent offenders, would like to try the Saturday Work Crew program in Crawford County. The program has proved successful in other counties when dealing with MIP

offenders.

Marie Frick, Community Corrections Case Manager, said the Board is looking for projects in Crawford County that can be completed on a Saturday by a crew of young people. Only nonprofit groups, municipalities and government agencies qualify for the program. Crews can do cleanup work, both inside and out of buildings, minor repairs, yard work and in some cases, painting.

Offenders interested in working on a crew to reduce jail time will pay \$30 each to cover the expense of a supervisor, such as a corrections officer or deputy, to oversee the project and crew, making the program self-funding. Frick said most youths don't like giving up a Saturday, so participation in the program is a sort of sacrifice which may have an impact on some offenders.

Crawford County Magistrate Jean Callewart, who handles many MIP cases, said she is willing to give the program a try locally, but could not comment on how successful she thinks it will be.

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Arrest made in GHS bomb threat

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Grayling High School was evacuated last Thursday morning, May 15, when a note was found in a men's rest room stating the school was going to blow up. Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said because of a tip, a 15-year old male student is now in custody.

Sheriff Wakefield said he was pleased to receive full cooperation from school Superintendent Milli Haug as the threat was taken very seriously and his department took charge.

All students in attendance that day were first ushered to the school's football field and then loaded onto buses where they waited for Sheriff's Deputies and a Michigan State Police Trooper out of Gaylord, accompanied by a bomb-sniffing dog, to search the building for explosives. None were found.

Staff members and students were allowed to go back into the school after about a three-hour delay and classes resumed to the end of the regular school day. Some students, upset by the incident, were allowed to go home early with permission of parents and guardians.

Sheriff Wakefield said the teen in custody is currently lodged at the Camp Shawono juvenile detention center awaiting prosecution. He said the 15-year old had spent time in juvenile detention before, but could not elaborate on the

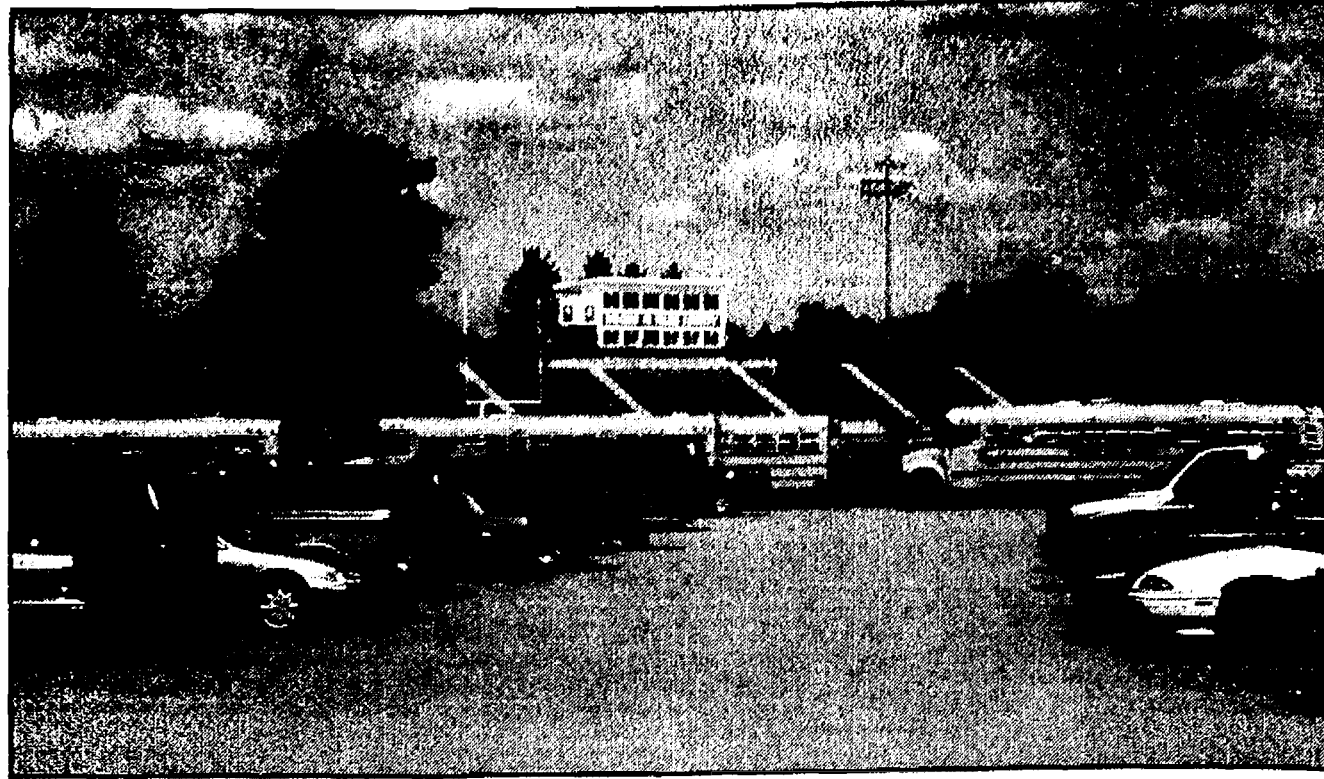


Photo courtesy of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office

Grayling High School students spent a few hours on buses waiting for the building to be checked for explosives after a note was found May 15 stating the school was going to blow up.

teen's record. Because of his age, the boy's name has not been released. Wakefield said he will probably not be charged as an adult.

This is the second bomb threat made against the Crawford AuSable School District in the past 14 months. The last was made by former Grayling Middle School teacher, 44-year old Kathryn Olson, who confessed to making the threat by phone, but has yet to be sentenced in 46th Circuit Trial Court. No explosives were found in the March 11, 2002 incident which closed the middle school for the day.

Making a false bomb threat is punishable by up to four years in prison and/or a \$2,000 fine.



Crawford Deputies assisted the Michigan State Police K-9 team to search the high school for explosives.

Stolen vehicles recovered, one found torched

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

A 20-year old Grayling man was arrested for allegedly stealing a car and a pick up truck, then torching the truck in a field

in Grayling Township.

An investigation by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office led officials to Matthew Michael Wakeley, who now faces two counts of unlawful driving away of an auto and one count of arson of real property valued between \$1,000 and \$15,000. He was arraigned on all three felony charges in 83rd District Court on May 13. If convicted, Wakeley faces up to five years in prison on each charge.

According to Sheriff's Sgt. Randy Baerlocher, the Grayling City Police received a report of a stolen 1985 Buick Century on May 11, just before 5:30 a.m. The car was missing from Alger Street and was later recovered by the Sheriff's Office on Sandy Trail in Grayling Township.

A 1998 Chevrolet Silverado, a 4x4 pickup with an extended cab, was reported missing from a residence on Greenwood Road in Grayling Township later that morning, around 10 a.m. The truck was found with extensive



Photo courtesy of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office

A Grayling Township resident reported this 1998 Chevrolet Silverado missing mid-morning on Mother's Day. Deputies located it burned in a field off North Stephan Bridge Road.

fire damage in a field north of North Down River Road, off of North Stephan Bridge Road.

In the past 10 months, Wakeley has been convicted of two alcohol-related driving offenses -- one a felony, one

attempt to resist or obstruct an officer, and providing alcohol to a group of young teens in the Grayling City Park last summer.

Wakeley remains lodged in the Crawford County Jail on \$65,000 cash bond.

State finds jail in full compliance

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Continuing education of personnel and other minor issues

were also called into question.

Former Sheriff Dave Lovely worked with the County Board to

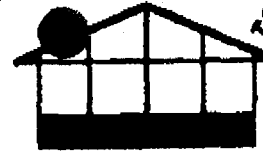
resolve the manpower issue and arranged for the installation of new cameras to monitor those areas in question.

Both Lovely and Wakefield faced budget constraints, causing difficulty in funding actions needed to bring the jail into full compliance. Wakefield continues to battle with a tight budget this year.

County Commissioner Dave Stephenson commended Sheriff Wakefield on the successful inspection, but the sheriff said, "The employees deserve a lot of credit. It took everyone working together to achieve a successful inspection."

Jail administrators are usually given seven to 10 days notice prior to inspection.

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Camp Grayling celebrates 90th birthday

A ceremony was held May 4 at Camp Grayling, dedicated to the patriotism and generosity of Rasmus Hanson, Camp Grayling's benefactor 90 years ago.

On May 2, 1913 with a Michigan Public Act, the initial acreage of about 14,000 acres along the south end of then Portage Lake was established as a permanent military training site. Through numerous modernization changes, the original Camp Ferris (named after the then Governor Woodbridge Ferris), changed in name to Camp Grayling and to the current size of 147,000 acres.

The Grayling High School Choir, under the direction of Karen Ross, linked up with the 126th Army Band, Michigan Army National Guard in providing a medley of patriotic music for those in attendance.

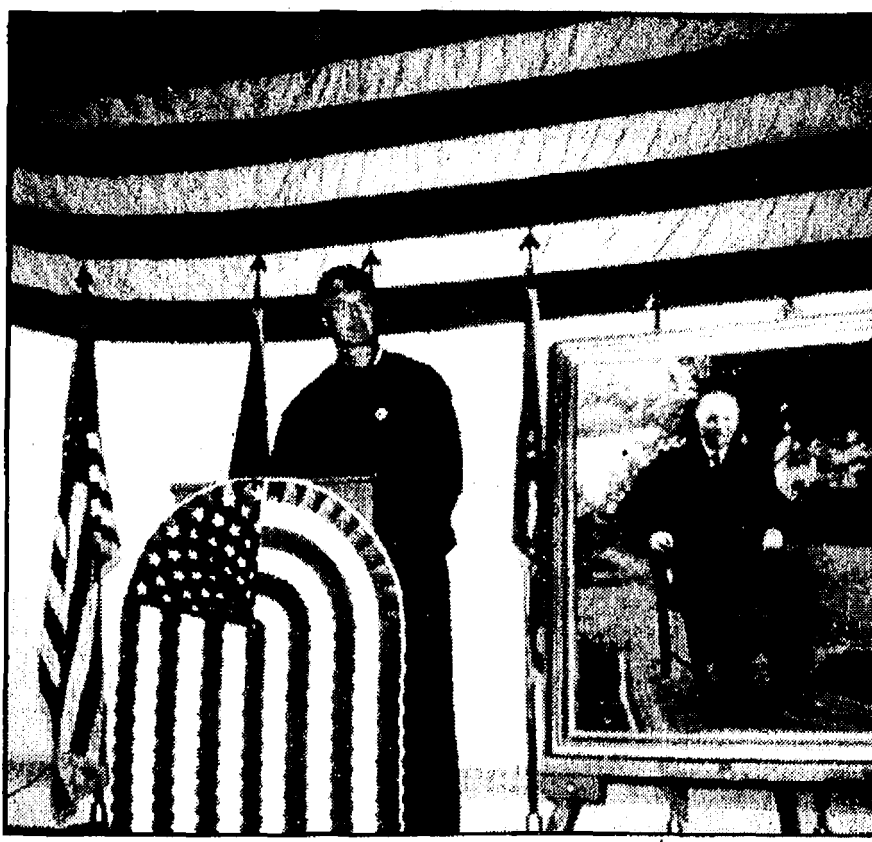
A portrait of Hanson was set center stage and the Armory drill hall was decorated in patriotic splendor by the Family Support Group. MATES provided a static display of combat vehicles, the

1439th Firefighters provided a display of the equipment and were on hand to demonstrate their abilities. The Loomis Battery, a Civil War Reenactor group provided a cannon and display which were used in 1913.

Currently, Camp Grayling is primarily home for training for Michigan, Ohio and Indiana Air and Army National Guard. It is also home to the Northern Michigan Law Enforcement Training Group (NMLETG) with a current membership of 36 law enforcement agencies who use the installation ranges and new precision driving track.

The camp also hosts training conducted by reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines plus, Canadians and Michigan's Partnership for Peace country of Latvia.

Camp Grayling's 10th Commander, Colonel Dennis D. Hull, welcomed all attendees to the event. Numerous local and state dignitaries were present to pass on their congratulations for the 90 years of service Camp



Photos courtesy of Camp Grayling

U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak was one of many speakers at the Camp's 90th anniversary celebration.

Grayling has provided to our State and Nation.

The City of Grayling Council passed a Resolution, presented by Dennis Palmer, City Councilman, declaring it Rasmus Hanson Day in honor of his keen foresight. The Crawford County Board of Commissioners passed a Resolution, presented by Lynnette Corlew, Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners, stating congratulations on the 90th Anniversary as a reminder of the freedoms we enjoy daily.

Guests speakers included Major General Thomas G. Cutler, The Adjutant General of Michigan and Director of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs; Brigadier General Robert V. Taylor, Assistant Adjutant General for Army; Congressman Bart Stupak, Michigan's 1st Congressional District; Harold Chase, Representing Senator Carl Levin; Brandon Fewins, representing Senator Debbie

Stabenow; Michigan Senator Tony Stamas; Michigan Senator Michelle McManus; Lynnette Corlew, Crawford County Board or Commissioners; Dennis Palmer, Grayling City Council; and Colonel Dennis D. Hull. Invocation and Benediction was provided by Camp Grayling Chaplain Orin Jay Kendall.

Although, Camp Grayling administration's preference for this event would have been for it to have been open to the general public, current Force Protection requirements dictated this event be invitation only.



Camp Commander Col. Dennis Hull (left) accepts a resolution from Grayling City Councilman and Guardsman Dennis Palmer proclaiming Rasmus Hanson Day.

Honoring the blue and brown

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

More than 30 people attended the Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony last Thursday, to honor officers who have died in the line of duty, as well as those who have served. The event was hosted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

Speakers included Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, Retired Michigan State Police Post Commander Arthur J. Wakeley, and County Chair Lynnette Corlew. Invocation and benediction were delivered by Rev. Elizabeth Chace among the chords of a nearby songbird.

Wakeley, the main speaker, talked about the long history of

law enforcement in his family. He showed the crowd a 113-year old cane which belonged to his great grandfather, "one-armed" Tom Wakeley, who served as the sheriff of Crawford County "in the era of rough lumbermen and plentiful saloons -- the 1890s." He shared the story of how he learned as a little boy about his great grandfather and how he had no idea he would serve law enforcement all of his life, too.

Of law enforcement officers he said, "While the work they do is part of the bedrock of democracy and the life of a citizen, those who don the blue or brown uniforms contribute directly to the freedom of the individual to live his or her life as a citizen."

"But there are a lot of folks who do know the score -- who realize that the best evidence is that we are able to walk to the Grayling Post Office without being mugged -- or to shop in stores where clerks are not working behind bullet-proof glass."

Near the close of the ceremony, a firing squad of Camp Grayling military personnel delivered a 21-gun salute to the fallen heroes. The customary playing of "Taps" was cancelled when members of the Grayling High School Band were detained at the school due to a bomb threat.

The ceremony was followed by an informal luncheon provided by the Sheriff's Office.

GHS to host annual Senior Honors Night

Grayling High School will host its annual Senior Honors Night on Thursday, May 22 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of the AuSable Primary School.

The program is being sponsored in the evening to give parents, relatives, friends and members of the community the opportunity to share in the honors being bestowed upon the senior graduates.

School administrators feel it is only fitting, as the local community deserves much of the credit for these achievements.

The quality of family life, support and concern provided has contributed significantly toward the academic achievement and honors that these seniors will receive.

A large portion of the 2003 graduating class will be recog-

nized for their achievements through state and local college scholarships, citizenship awards and a variety of academic awards.

The Grayling High School administration and faculty invite all parents, relatives, friends and community members to support our honored seniors and the education system by sharing these special moments of honor.

Minors caught drinking offered a different kind of detention

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"I have never worked with an MIP Saturday work program, so I really can't predict its success here in Crawford County," Callewaert said. "Maybe for some people the work program will work, maybe some get more out of time in jail. I just know that somewhere they need to realize there are some consequences for breaking the law."

According to 46th Circuit Trial Court records, alcohol related cases involving minors in 2000 numbered seven; in 2001 - nine; in 2002 - 89; and so far in 2003 - 23. Callewaert said by reviewing the numbers its obvious there is a problem with minors and alcohol in the county.

To get the program started this

summer in Crawford County, Frick said she needs to hear soon from interested eligible parties

who may have a project for the MIP offenders. Frick can be reached at 732-3551, ext. 16.

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OPINIONS

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ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Texas Democrats flee to fight again

FACED WITH a losing battle on an important issue, minority Democrats in the Texas House of Representatives picked an unusual strategy to get their way in a Republican dominated legislature.

En masse Democrats took a brief hiatus in next-door Oklahoma and their absence halted action in the legislature while they were gone.

Specific target was a Republican plan to re-district Texas congressional seats again. A new plan was expected to replace a half dozen Democrats with Republicans in the Texas delegation.

By running away, the Texas Democrats lived to fight another day.

Does that make sense? Republicans were incensed, but

to this outside observer -- all I know about the Texas walkout is what I read in the newspaper -- it makes perfect political sense.

ALTHOUGH SOME rules are different, in certain circumstances the Texas gambit might work in Michigan, too.

The Michigan legislature did its districting job on time last year, and the changes shifted several seats from Democrat to Republican, reflecting the party control in the legislature.

In Texas, legislators did not agree in time last year, so Texas courts took over the job in time for the 2002 election. Republicans now in control of the Texas legislature want to re-district again to provide party advantage. That's what set off the exodus of Democrats.

It's not unusual for courts to decide congressional districts if the legislature cannot agree. It's happened in Michigan several times. The court version should stick in Texas, too. Apportioning every time a legislature changes political hands is not good government.

TEXAS HAS A limited annual legislative session, with mandated adjournment date in mid-May. When House Democrats fled, GOP action before adjournment was stymied by their absence.

Like Michigan, Texas rules permit legislative leaders to order absent members to be rounded up by law enforcement officials and forced back to the capitol.

It's been invoked a few times by the Michigan legislature when a close and crucial vote loomed,

but not often, and never to my knowledge has there been a Texas-sized walkout in Michigan.

The Texas Democrats went to a Holiday Inn in Ardmore, Okla., and the long arm of the Texas law couldn't reach that far.

For recalcitrant Michigan lawmakers, Angola, Ind., or Toledo, Ohio, each only an easy hour or so distant from the capitol, would make wonderful havens to sit out a session.

The item that would forestall most similar massive walkouts in Michigan is that the Michigan legislature usually is in perpetual session, from January through December.

The Texas plan might work in Michigan in late December, with adjournment at hand. Even then, with January and start of a new

legislative year just a few days away, those controlling the Michigan legislature can simply out wait a walkout.

THE MICHIGAN legislature formerly met for limited sessions, ending in the early part of the year. If emergencies arose for needed legislation, the governor would convene a special session to consider only specific items. That's how it works in Texas and most states, too.

Limited sessions in Michigan ended when the legislature decided on its own to become a full time institution -- an evolution that also brought large staffs, huge buildings, and ever-increasing pay levels.

Michigan lawmakers are not in session from January through December, but instead of

adjourning, they recess from time to time -- for such things as spring break, summer vacation, hunting season, electioneering, Christmas holidays, and so on -- and finally adjourn near year's end.

Technically lawmakers meet for the entire year, but in practice they don't. Among other things, the full-year session prohibits the governor from calling special sessions for specific purposes, and retains within the legislature the power to dictate the agenda.

The perpetual session also likely precludes an effective large walkout of legislators to block action they oppose, as happened in Texas.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Self-governing rights worthy of protection

To the editor,

In this space last week (May 15), James Powers wrote about the May 3 public hearing for the Natural River Designation (NRD) of the Upper Manistee River Watershed (UMRWS). He said he was "shocked and embarrassed" that a woman "shouted a venomous assault" at the President of our local Trout Unlimited Chapter. This exchange many have been improper for the venue, but describing it as a "public assault" is quite melodramatic.

Powers' chivalry in publicly calling for an apology from this unidentified woman on behalf of another man is, well -- laughable. However, his misrepresentation of this event enabled him to mischaracterize the "true colors" of those opposed to the NRD.

Powers then condescendingly explained that the "Manistee River is owned by all of the people of the State of Michigan."

True enough. Even so, 48 percent of the land surrounding the UMRWS is currently held in private ownership and is mostly developed. Under the questionable auspices of providing river protection, the NRD allows the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to promulgate state-mandated zoning over these private lands. With state backing, Powers has asserted that these stakeholders should have no greater voice in the zoning of their property than those who use the bordering public waterway.

Opponents have found the zoning component of the UMR draft plan to lack representative community input and accountability. Developed in the 1995-98 time frame by an advisory panel not allowed to entertain any other form of river protection, this plan was buried by opposition in 1998. Its resurgence

has refueled the enmity generated back then.

The current form of the act provides the MDNR the opportunity to modify or promulgate rules as it deems necessary. For these reasons, this plan was widely rejected in 1998, and it is widely rejected today.

Under the current form of the Natural Rivers Act, local support is unnecessary. Last fall, 16 of 17 townships and four of five counties within the UMRWS resolved to oppose NRD under the current form of this act.

These elected representatives of the people were not opposing river protection. Most already have zoning ordinances designed to protect the river for future generations. They are opposed to surrendering local rule-making authority within their districts to a state agency.

Over 170 UMRWS property owners in the counties of Crawford and Kalkaska have found this self-governing concept to also be worthy of protection. These goals are not mutually exclusive. Today, the MDNR's Director can designate watersheds despite overwhelming opposition.

River protection will ultimately come from those with a real investment in the watershed. I encourage the MDNR to share its knowledge and to work cooperatively with local governments and stakeholders in this endeavor. I also encourage the department to work with legislators on House Bills 4641 and 4642 in amending PA 451, part 305 so any new river plan might be more palatable to those impacted by it. The UMRWS draft plan, enabled under the current form of this act, is unacceptable.

Anne Marie Kea
Grayling

Community should come together to heal, not blame

To the editor,

First, I would like to express my deepest sympathy to the family of James Fear. My prayers are with the whole family.

There have been a lot of rumors floating around about the accident. My son has experienced much scrutiny of his involvement and actions thereafter the fact. It appears many people feel my son could have done more to prevent the accident or, ultimately, the death of this young man.

First of all, blame will not change the fact that a family and a community have lost a child in a tragic way. All of us, as a community, should come together and help a family begin to deal with the grieving process, and two young children begin to heal from the aftermath of an accident that will ultimately be a part of them for the rest of their lives.

People ask why my son did not go to the funeral. Simple. Has anyone thought that maybe he might not be able to deal with the issue. After all, he is only 17. Most 17-year old children have never been in a horrible accident, let alone seen what he has seen. Yes, maybe people may feel he could have done more, and maybe they are right, but to a 17-year old who is in shock, he thought he did his best.

Instead of trying to find blame, we should try to heal. We all know that fast cars and speed tantalize children; we need to begin to educate them. As parents, teachers, and mentors, we can sit down with our teenagers, or young adults, and explain to them the seriousness of safe driving and wearing seat belts.

We cannot replace this young man, and he will never be forgotten, but we can try to work together and spare the life of another young adult. Let's work together as parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and a community, to heal.

Shannon Forbes
Grayling

Did River Act supporter finally get the message?

To the editor,

In his letter to the editor (May 15 edition, *Avalanche*), James E. Powers publicly attacked those who oppose the Natural River designation of the Manistee River by saying they "flew their true colors," and that one of the opponents "shouted a venomous assault toward one of the public speakers."

He went on to play the role of Miss Manners and chided the woman for her remarks.

However, he lacked Miss Manners' finesse -- choosing combative words, to say the least. He asked, "... that someone please tell this woman that the Manistee River is owned by all the people of the State of Michigan, and not just those who are property owners."

Mr. Powers many not realize it, but I think he finally got the message the opponents to the designation have been trying to make... the river belongs to everyone! All citizens! For all uses!

It is in fine shape, according to what was said by Dan Pearson at the meeting. There is no restoration to take place -- just maintenance of the quality. In other words, the zoning ordinances of the townships have worked and the efforts of those who have

been stewards of the river have worked. A gentleman I met at the meeting said, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it!" Wise words... and let's leave the questions of etiquette to Miss Manners.

Juanita Wennerstrom
Grayling

Cancer survivors invited to take Victory Lap

To the editor,

The Crawford County Relay for Life Committee invites all cancer survivors to join us for an incredible community celebration as we honor you -- the cancer survivors of our community.

Join fellow cancer survivors in our Survivor's Victory Lap, followed by a superb dinner, compliments of the Grayling Pizza Hut. Each survivor will also receive a T-shirt designed especially for the occasion.

The 2003 Relay for Life event will kick off on June 27 at 6 p.m. at the Grayling Nursing Centre on Meadows Drive in Grayling.

We ask each survivor who wishes to participate to RSVP (with shirt size) to Tom Pettit at 348-3801 or Therese Kaiser at 348-1674. Hope to see you there!

The Crawford County Relay for Life Committee
Grayling

Work of many helps beautify fish hatchery

To the editor,

The Girl Scouts of Troops 2311, 2453, 2591 and 2950, as well as many other volunteers, came out to plant seedling trees at the Grayling Fish Hatchery this past week. The planting was a great success, and will help

beautify the hatchery for future generations.

Your efforts make Grayling a great place to live and work.

Kevin Garrity
Grayling Fish Hatchery Restoration Committee

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Avalanche Sets Early Deadline

Deadlines For Memorial Day

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day, and will reopen at 9 am Tuesday, May 27.

The deadline for display ads for the May 29 issue is Thursday, May 22, 5 pm. Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by noon Friday, May 23. Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday, May 27 noon.

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BRIEFS

Memorial Day services planned

Monday, May 26 is Memorial Day. The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will offer Memorial Day ceremonies beginning at 10 a.m. in the Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling, then moving on to the cemetery in Frederic Township, and finally to Maple Forest Township for a short program. The public is welcome.

Mother/daughter banquet May 23

The Burning Bush Tabernacle, on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host its annual Mother and Daughter Banquet on Friday, May 23 beginning at 6 p.m. with a dinner buffet, followed by a blessing from guest speaker Carol Cole. The church extends an invitation to all mothers and daughters to attend. For more information, call Pastor Petrie at 348-1278.

Medallions support Special Olympics

Glen's Family Market in Grayling is selling Special Olympics medallions through June 2003 to support local athletes' participation in Summer Games in Michigan. The paper medallions are available for \$1 each and include coupons for Spartan brand products. Customers sign their name on the medallion for display in the store. Spartan Stores is the exclusive sponsor of the Special Olympics Michigan Summer Games and, since 1985, has made corporate contributions to the games of nearly \$5.9 million.

Hospice volunteer training offered

Mercy Amicare Homecare and Hospice will be holding Hospice Volunteer trainings May 28-29, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Grayling Amicare Office, 201 Meadows Drive, Suite A (in the Professional Building behind Huntington Bank). Several important topics will be covered. Hospice volunteers perform many services including respite, companionship and support, transportation, clerical and office assistance. Mercy Amicare Hospice covers services for Crawford, Roscommon, and parts of Ogemaw, Otsego, Oscoda and Kalkaska counties. For more information or to sign up for either training sessions, call Sherry Haag, Volunteer Coordinator, at 1-800-424-1457 or (989) 348-0039.

Bone density screenings offered

A low-cost bone density screening clinic will be held Wednesday, June 4, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., at the Glen's Family Market in Grayling. Cost of the screening is \$9.99 and includes an ankle ultrasound test by Interim HealthCare that takes about two minutes. Test results will be available immediately following the scan. The U.S. Preventative Services Task Force recommends that high-risk women should start getting screened for fragile bones beginning at age 60.

Eastern Orthodox pastor to speak

Father Tom George of the Assumption Cathedral of Detroit will make a pastoral visit to Traverse City on Saturday, May 31. He will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m. (Orthos at 9:30 a.m.) in the Sanctuary of the Grace Episcopal Church, located at 341 Washington Street, across from the courthouse, in Traverse City. A social gathering will follow. All faithful are invited to attend the service. For more information, call (231) 932-6868.

COA plans Annual Hot Dog Sale

The Crawford County Commission on Aging (COA) will hold its Annual Hot Dog Sale at Glen's Market in Grayling on Friday and Saturday, May 23-24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. All proceeds go to the COA and its programs for senior citizens.

County offices closed Memorial Day

The Crawford County Courthouse and the administration portion of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

Couples' golf league to meet

A meeting of The Hookers and Slicers Couples Golf League will be held on Thursday, May 29 at 6 p.m. at the Grayling Country Club. Members should make every effort to attend.

Secretary of State closed May 26

All branch offices of the Michigan Secretary of State, including the Grayling office, will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day. Motorists whose driver license or license plates expire over the holiday should renew early. For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/sos.

Animal Shelter board to meet

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Gray Rock Cafe. Summer fund-raising activities will be discussed.

RAFFLE WINNERS

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O'Mercy Golf Classic to benefit hospital

The Mercy Hospital Auxiliary is sponsoring the O'Mercy Golf Classic at Fox Run Country Club on Friday, June 20 to benefit the hospital.

The two-person Scramble package includes 18 holes with a cart, Halfway House lunch, buffet dinner, (a cash bar will be offered following play) beverages and eligibility for awards and prizes. Cost is \$80 per person. Dinner only is \$20 per person.

Contests include Hole in One

on each par three hole, Closest to the Pin, and Longest Drive. Compete for a number of prizes, including a new car.

Only the first 120 golfers to register by June 2 will be eligible to participate.

The event begins with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Golfers should be at the course 60 minutes prior to tee time for registration.

For more information, call the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary at (989) 348-0487.

Bicycle Safety Rodeo coming up May 31

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield has announced the 6th Annual Bicycle Safety Rodeo is scheduled for Saturday, May 31, for kids in Kindergarten through fifth grade.

The Sheriff's Office, along with the Grayling City Police and the Crawford AuSable School District, will be conducting the rodeo to be held in the parking lot of the AuSable Primary School, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. that day.

Activities will include an obstacle course, "Rules of the Road" instruction with hands-on practice, and a free bicycle safety inspection conducted by personnel from The Bicycle Shop in

Grayling.

As a safety incentive, the Grayling Rotary Club will be presenting a bicycle helmet to the first 300 successful participants.

The rodeo is made possible by donations from the following: Grayling Rotary Club, McDonald's of Grayling, Grayling 7-11, Kirtland Community College, Mobile Medical Response (MMR), and the Crawford AuSable School District.

For more information, contact Undersheriff Shawn M. Krayes at 344-3210 or Tina Bassett at 344-3214.

Help Center's summer lunch bag program begins June 16

The Crawford County Community Christian Help Center will be providing Summer Lunch Bags again this summer to families with children who received reduced or free lunches during the school year.

Families do not have to be a client of the Family Independence Agency (FIA), or have a referral to qualify for the program.

Working families with one or two incomes in the household can really tell the difference in their food budget during summer vacation. Just come to the Help Center, on Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling, during regular business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., beginning June 16.

If these hours are impossible, just call the Help Center at 348-6046, leave a message and your call will be returned.

This program was very successful in 2002, said Help Center

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC NOTICE HERBICIDE PROGRAM

The Michigan Department of Transportation hereby provides notice to the public, and property owners adjacent to state highways of the 2003 Herbicide Application Program for roadside rights-of-way within Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Roscommon, and Presque Isle counties.

All applications will take place between May 27, 2003 and October 24, 2003.

LOCATIONS

Applications will be made for control of (1) noxious weeds and broadleaf weeds in turf areas and, (2) woody vegetation (brush) within clear zones. All applications will be ground or aerial applied by vehicle-mounted fixed boom or hand gun equipment. The following herbicides will be tank mixed for each application.

Weed: Weedestroy AM-40 Amine Salt (2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid) and Teller (Chlorauluron) or Barvel 720 (Dimethylamine Salt of Cloxime and 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid) and Teller. Escort (Metsulfuron methyl) may be substituted for Teller.

Brush: Gerton 4 (Triclopyr) and Weedestroy AM-40 (2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid). Escort (Metsulfuron methyl) may be substituted for Weedestroy AM-40.

Shoulder: Roundup (Glyphosate) and Weedestroy AM-40 (2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid).

Guardrail: Diox 800F (Dioxon 3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-1,1-dimethylurea).

A surfactant, City-Plus or Cide-Kick (100% D-Limonene), Valent X-77 (Nonylphenolpolyoxyethylene, Free Fatty Acids, Glycols, and Isopropylalcohol), or Nu-Film-1R (Poly-1-p-methoxyphenyl) will be used with all applications. A drift control agent, 41-A (Polysiloxane and Polysiloxane), Mone (Polyvinyl Polymer), or Nalco-Trol (Polyvinyl Polymer), will also be used as needed in all spraying operations.

All roadside parks on state highways ("T", "US", and "M" routes) and MDOT facilities within the counties listed above will also be treated.

All applications will be made by certified applicators employed by the Michigan Department of Transportation. For further information contact:

Michael Rogers, Resource Specialist
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The Bible Speaks

World Future

The future of the world is clearly described in the Bible. We know the antichrist and his false prophet will temporarily have global control before Jesus Christ returns. Therefore, we know that there will be a one-world religion united with a one-world government. All the liberal religions of the world are working together toward this ecumenical goal. This one-world religion is described in Revelation 17. Revelation 18 describes the one-world economic system under antichrist. We know the world economy will produce elaborate wealth, yet there will be slavery. Therefore, American style free enterprise or capitalism will not be expanded globally to bring freedom to the world. For years we have warned you that market socialism will probably be the final global economic system under antichrist.

There are 3 systems vying for control today. The first system is that of the Muslims who believe the Koran promises them that Allah will control the earth one day. There are a number of reasons they cannot succeed. First, probably only about 10% of the Muslims are determined to use violence to achieve their goal. Second, their culture is backward and they depend upon the West for most of their technological development. Third, the militant Muslims who believe the Koran will not compromise their religion. They are not ecumenical. They will only create terror and destruction. Their primary goal

is to bring the West down to their level so they can conquer us.

The second system is Judeo-Christian America. We have the only system with the skill and power to control the world today. But, we will not do so because our goal is freedom. We will be limited in the number of nations we can free from tyranny because our own nation is divided on using force to bring freedom to others. And believers in religious freedom cannot spread their faith by force. Besides this, the majority of the intellectual class in America is hostile to Judeo-Christianity even within our own country.

The third system vying for control of the world today is secularism and socialism as practiced in Western Europe and supported by educated elites around the world. They are trying to unite Europe and gain control of the oil held by the Muslim countries. The Muslims will be more open to working with Secular Socialists than Judeo-Christian Americans. The secular socialism of Europe already permeates even our own educational system in America. You have noticed the silence of the antiwar movement throughout the mass murder of Sudan's blacks, during the genocide in Rwanda, during China's crushing of Tibet, and during Saddam's wars against Iran, Kuwait and Iraq's own Kurds. The world history of the peace movement has in practice proven to be more anti-American than antiwar.

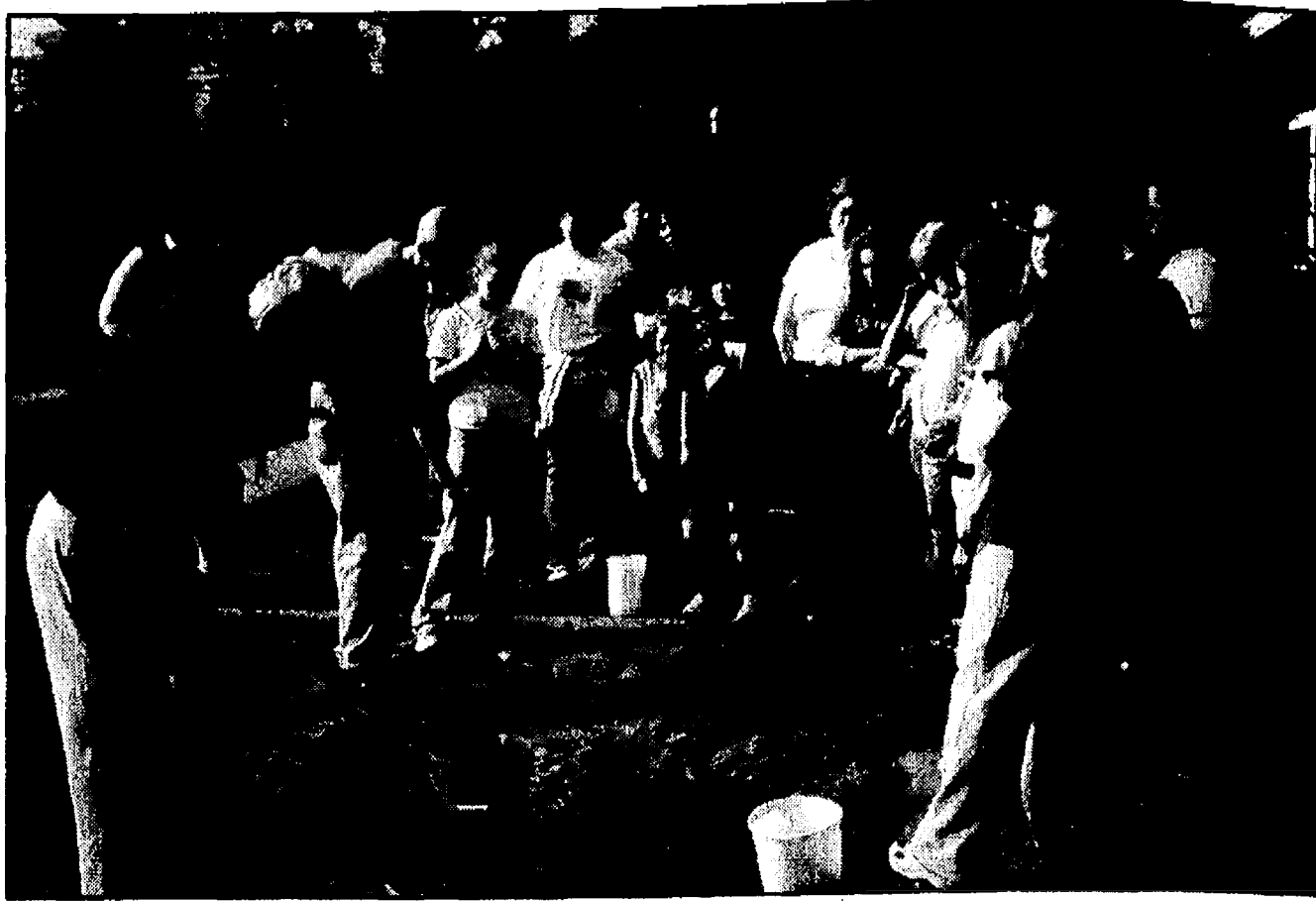
The United Nations has a record of being anti Israel for many years. We are now seeing the UN become more and more anti-American. Will the UN be used as a Trojan horse by the secular socialists of old Europe to bring in the one-world-government? If so, expect to hear growing worldwide talk about the growing danger of an evil CIA/Zionist conspiracy for world control. The Bible foretells of a final holocaust against the Jews in Israel. But will there first be a holocaust against the Christians in America? Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/~cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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Girl Scouts help beautify fish hatchery



Girl scouts and other volunteers watch as Kevin Garrity (with shovel) and Ed Parks show them how to plant the 400 donated trees.

Over 40 volunteers came to the Grayling Fish Hatchery during the early evening hours of May 14, to help plant seedling trees. The 400 trees were provided free of charge by a Michigan Department of Natural Resources seedling grant.

Volunteer planters included members of Girl Scout Troops 2311, 2453, 2591 and 2950, as well as other members of the community. Ed Parks helped to

oversee the placement and care of the seedlings. Black walnut, tamarack, maple and ash trees were planted as part of the ongoing restoration of the hatchery grounds.

Visitors to the hatchery will see significant changes from years past. A new, natural trout stream was developed to replace many of the aging, crumbling raceways.

The parking lot and main path-

way have been repaved and permanent restrooms have been added. A children's fishing pond was created, with two separate platforms for fishing. A stormwater retention pond, meant to catch sand, gravel and other waste from North Down River Road, is still in the process of being completed.

Other improvements to the fish hatchery will be ongoing throughout this summer.

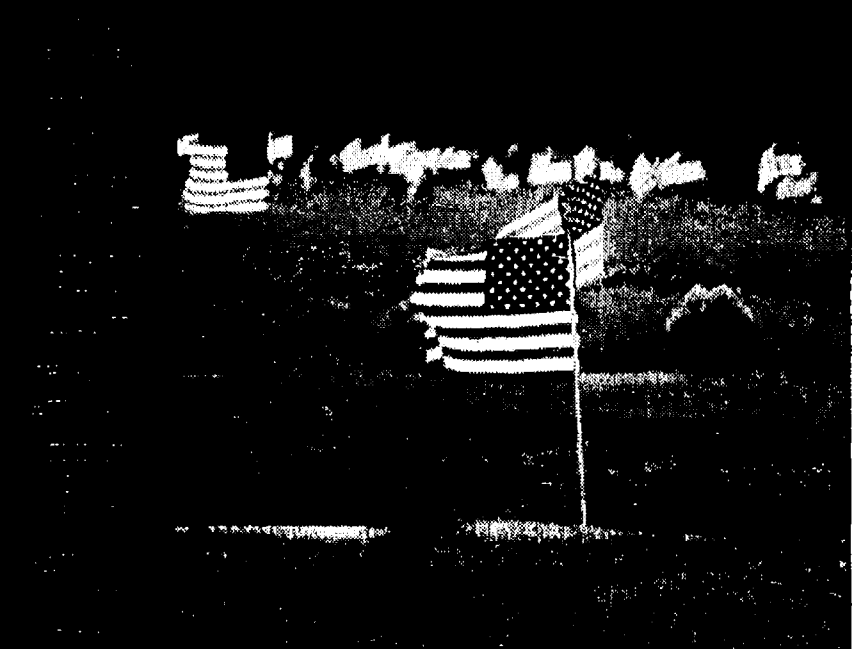
In 1862, as these words formed in the mind of the poetess and proponent of freedom, Julia Ward Howe, The Battle Hymn of the Republic was born. Since that time, this stirring anthem of patriotism and sacrifice has rung out across our land to stir the spirits of all who hold our country and our freedom dear. In every war since the Civil War, paupers and presidents have joined their voices to proclaim the price our men and women of the Armed Forces of America are willing to pay for our right to democracy.

Today, we honor those who have died for our freedom throughout history. We honor their torture and their pain. We honor their families torn by tragedy. We honor their faith in freedom. We honor their faith in God.

As you read this remembrance of Memorial Day, one of our servicemen or women may be dying of the wounds of war. What can you do? Pray for them and their loved ones. Pray for our country and our leaders, for the enemy is even within our borders. Above all, take full advantage of your priceless freedom of worship...purchased by death.

Purchased by Death

As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free,
While God is marching on.



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Saturday.....9:30 am
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Sunday Worship.....11 am
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Family Mass.....10:00 am
Scripture Study
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Daily Masses.....
Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

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Sunday School.....9:45 am
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Evening Worship.....6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

St. Francis Episcopal
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Office 348-5850
Sunday Holy
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Phone: 231-536-7933, Fax: 231-536-3046
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Pastor Lyle Studer
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Sunday
Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

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Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship.....11 am
Evening Service.....6 pm
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

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Sunday School.....9 am
Sunday Service.....10 am

Luzerne Baptist
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Sunday School.....10 am
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

Harvest Time Church of God
Pastor Fred Coates
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VIEWPOINT

by Harry Timmons, Chairperson of Citizens for Crawford County Law Enforcement

If we want them to be there for us, we need to be there for them

In Crawford County, we look to the sheriff's office to "protect and serve" us within our neighborhoods, schools, lakes, trails and roads. Did you know the sheriff's office is in serious financial trouble and may risk the continued loss of essential personnel and/or services in the coming years?

Understand this has nothing to do with politics and I want to be clear, my concerns are strictly about the economics of the situation. The sheriff's office is literally running out of money. If we don't work together as concerned citizens, we are on the verge of losing the entire department.

I'm amazed to learn many residents don't realize we have no county patrol coverage between the hours of 12 midnight and 7 a.m. It's been this way for six years. We don't talk about it like

it's a secret, but it needs to be discussed out loud, and so do these subjects:

- Aging patrol cars, unable to be used in high-speed pursuits due to high mileage;
- Personnel retiring and unable to be replaced due to lack of funds;
- Insufficient funds to continue the marine and off-road vehicle grants in 2003;
- Loss, in August 2003, of federal COPS funding to support one deputy position for Grayling Township;
- Effects of budget on firing range qualification, officer training, and CPR qualifications.

Why? Shoddy management? Politics? Absolutely not. Numbers are numbers, folks, and they just aren't there anymore. Whether it's the result of reduction in revenue sharing money passed down from the state, or the elimination of federal grant sources previously available for personnel and school services, the economic future of our sheriff's office depends on us. You and I have to be so concerned about this that we're not going to allow it to happen.

I'm certain many of you think, "That can't happen!" Well, yes, it can. There is no mandate in

any official county document which requires an active force of deputies. Our deputies are facing continued reduction of staff and the need for new/replacement equipment. If it has a cost, the sheriff's office is running out of ways to afford it.

Are you aware of all that is done by our county officers? Even with budget restraints choking their financial resources, here's a sampling of the excellent service and protection they have provided:

- Emergency Assistance by handling 593 traffic accidents in 2002;
- Increasing safety in the county by arresting 289 offenders;
- Acting as civil process servers when necessary;
- Protecting boating/canoeing/off-road trail (ORV, snowmobile) activities; boating safety school; personal vessel inspections; attendance at public meetings; search and rescue;
- Overseeing all issues/responsibilities associated with the Crawford County Jail; and
- Operating in all schools with school resource officers including the following programs: DARE, Conflict Resolution Groups, Parent Drug Awareness, Junior Deputies, Bicycle Safety

Rodeo, McGruff Safety Presentations, and School Safety Patrol.

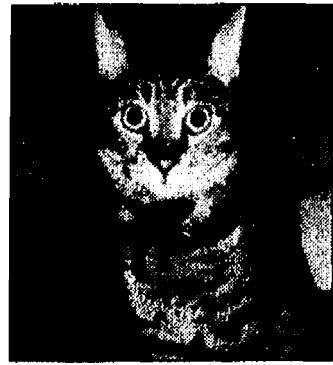
I've got a vested interest in this issue and so do you. Anyone who lives, owns property, hunts, fishes, recreates on our beautiful lakes and rivers, is raising their family here, works in the county... you get the idea... we all need to be actively concerned about the financial difficulties the sheriff's office is facing. Get involved in any way you can.

Come and join the "Citizens for Crawford County Law Enforcement" (the group formerly known as "Friends of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office"). This group meets monthly. We're organizing a Family Fun Day, June 14, centered around a charity softball game between 9and10 News All-Stars and the deputies of the County (and a few of their friends).

What are your strengths? What can you offer? Think about it and get actively concerned. Let our deputies know how much we appreciate and rely upon them.

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EMS Week is a time to recognize fire and EMS crews' readiness to provide lifesaving care to those in need -- 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"Working as a paramedic is different from any other career you can have," said Jill Howell, Denton Township Ambulance. "You get tremendous satisfaction from helping others and knowing you can make a difference between life and death."

National EMS Week's theme, "EMS: When it Matters Most," emphasizes that no matter what the emergency is or when it occurs -- be it an injury, an automobile crash, a heart attack, a diabetic emergency, or childbirth -- EMS responders are there to provide immediate lifesaving care and transportation.

"EMS Week offers a great opportunity for us to recognize the vital public service and the thousands of hours of specialized training our fire and EMS members dedicate to our communities," said Alan Bersted,



Dennis Wallace is one of many emergency medical responders deserving recognition this week, National Emergency Medical Services Week, May 18-24.

MD, Grayling EMS Medical Director at Mercy Hospital.

"Our patients benefit daily from the knowledge and skill of these highly trained individuals. Approximately two-thirds of all EMS providers are volunteers,

which indicates how motivated these individuals are to serving their communities."

Pulmonary rehabilitation class offered

If walking quickly, climbing stairs, or trying a new exercise regimen leaves you gasping for a breath, Otsego Memorial Hospital's (OMH) Pulmonary Rehabilitation program may help you. The educational and exercise program is designed to benefit people with chronic lung disease. A physician referral is required. Class will begin on Wednesday, June 4, at 2 p.m. in the classroom of the Professional Medical Building. Call your physician to determine if this program is right for you. For information, call Sandra Nemecek at (989) 731-7842.

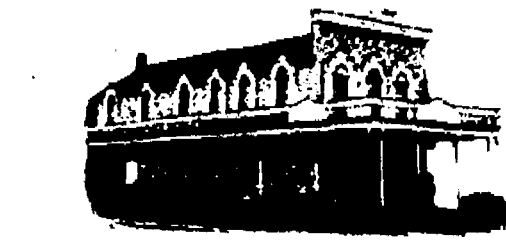
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Marj Kelsey, FNP
Family Nurse Practitioner

Marj Kelsey is a Certified Nurse Practitioner. She completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Michigan, and received her graduate degree from Michigan State University. She has been part of the Mercy Hospital Grayling staff since 1987 and began her work as a Nurse Practitioner in 1995.



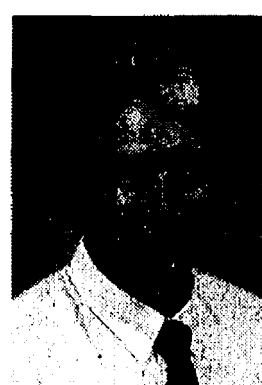
David LaGattuta, MD
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David A. LaGattuta, MD, is a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. A graduate from the University of Michigan Medical School, Dr. LaGattuta completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Ohio State University. Dr. LaGattuta began practicing at Mercy Hospital Grayling in 1996.



Vincent E. Schultz, MD
Family Practice/Obstetrics

Vincent E. Schultz, MD, is a specialist in Family Practice and Obstetrics. A graduate of the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, Dr. Schultz completed his residency in Family Practice at Midland Family Practice and fellowship in Obstetrics in Tacoma, WA. Dr. Schultz joined Mercy Hospital Grayling in 2001.



Carl F. Schubert, MD
Obstetrics/Gynecology

Carl F. Schubert, MD, is a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Schubert completed his medical education at Wayne State University in 1989, and practiced in Alpena before joining the staff of Mercy Hospital Grayling in 2002.



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C.A.R.E. expo helps get the information out

The second annual Crawford Area Resource Exchange (CARE) Expo, held at St. Mary's Catholic Church on May 15, drew many visitors who had a chance to learn about the many services available for adults and senior citizens in Crawford County. Here Linda Franklin, Probate Court Register, helps a visitor with forms for advance medical directives, durable power of attorney, and Michigan Statutory Wills. Franklin, along with court guardians Deb Calkins and Audrey Evon, also answered questions about adult guardianship. In its second year, the CARE Expo attracted three times the visitors than last year.



Photo by Susan Warrington

Stepping stone class offered

Want to spruce up your garden or even the patio? The newest rage for outdoor (and even indoor) decor are stepping stones.

The Brook of Roscommon will be hosting a unique opportunity for you to express your creativity through a Stepping Stones class on Tuesday, June 10, sponsored by staff from Kirtland Community College.

Everyone is invited to attend the program. The class cost is \$40 to the general community and \$30 for senior citizens which includes all materials and everything you will need to make your own stone.

For information, or to reserve your spot by June 6, contact The Brook at 275-4000.

Investment firm offers free seminar on how to prepare financially for long-term care

The services that helped pay for long-term care needs in the past may not be able to provide the same benefits for you and your family in the future. That's why Kurt Loll, the Grayling Edward Jones investment representative is hosting a free, educational seminar on how to help make retirement more comfortable and rewarding.

The seminar, "The Road to Long-Term Care," will be offered at 6 p.m., on Thursday, May 29, at the Days Inn in Grayling.

Over the past 33 years, Medicare enrollment has more than doubled. According to the Health Care Financing Administration. As the population continues to age, more families are having to rely on diminishing their assets to help pay for a loved one's long-term care.

Despite these trends, there are effective strategies that can help reduce the financial burden of long-term care.

"Today, people want to be assured that their needs won't become a burden to their families," said Loll. "There are several strategies that can help these individuals and their families reduce their risk and the financial worries associated with long-term care."

During the seminar, Loll will focus on the different ways to pay for long-term care; strategies to help protect assets against the cost of care; and the advantages of long-term care insurance.

This seminar is free, but space is limited. To make a reservation, call Loll at (989) 348-6964 or stop by the office, 307 Huron Street in Grayling.

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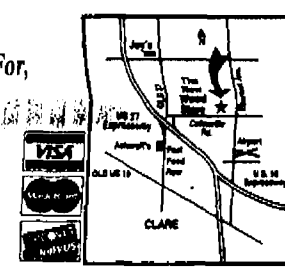
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Realtors exceed expectations

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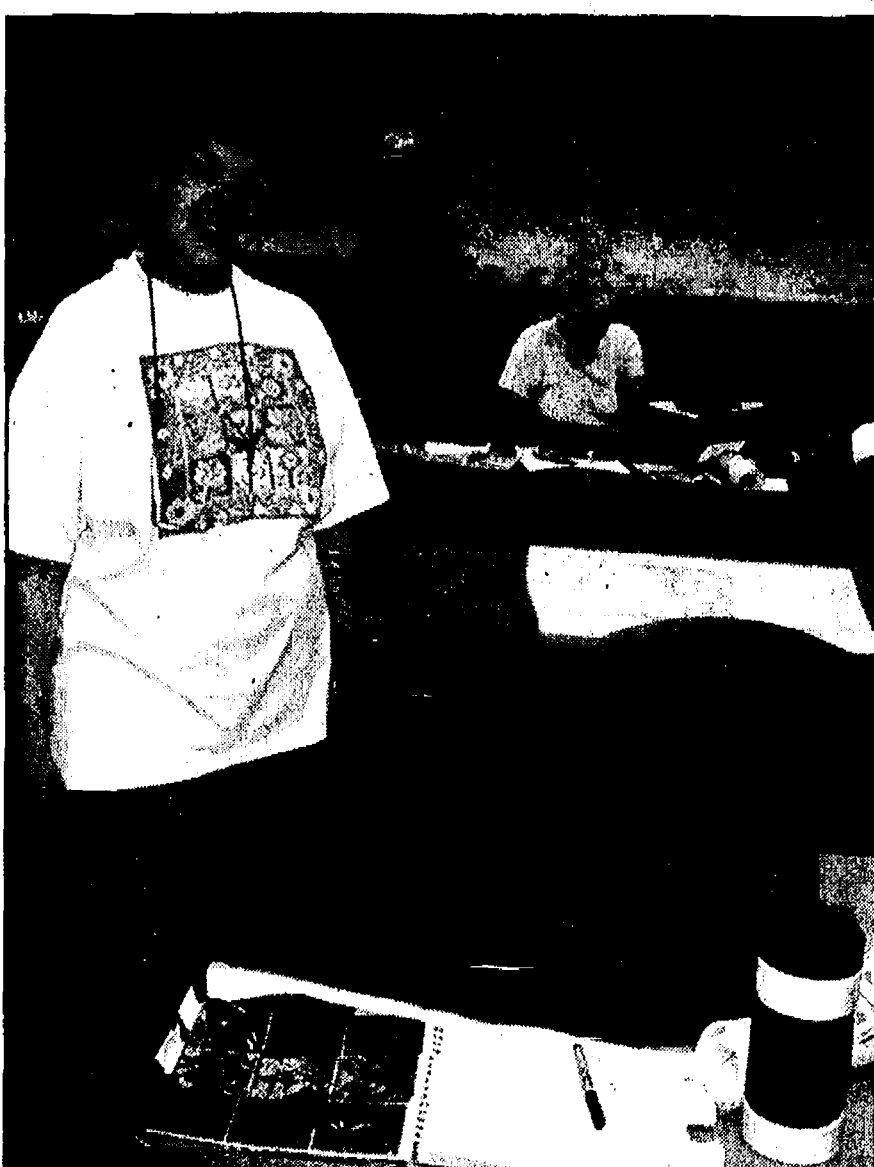
Curly's son, Duane "Duey" LaMotte, closed over 19 sides from January 1 to February 8, 2003. The dollar amount in sides to this monthlong period was \$1,072,600.

Awards received by the Grayling realtor for the 2002 year were as follows:

- "Presidents Elite" (over 60 sides closed) - Duane LaMotte and Todd Jansen;
- "President's Circle" (over 36 closed sides) - Mark Hacker;
- "Diamond Society" (over 24 closed sides) - Fred Shippy, Dennis Scott, and Diann Murphy;
- "Sterling Society" (over 18 closed sides) - Curly LaMotte, Tom Gulick, Laura Mayes, John Howe, and Rick Anderson.

Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty offices in Grayling and Higgins Lake also received the "President's Circle" award and the "Office Manager's Award for Excellence."

A chance to learn from 'world class' quilter



Not a spectacular turn out for Debra Danko and her glorious art quilts on May 15, but those who came seemed to be amazed. Library Director Edward Elsner said, "She is truly a world class artist. Her fabric creations are alive and draw you in. Her stories and sense of humor keep you from disappearing forever into the finished masterpieces. Look for her work in museums and exhibits as you travel."

(Right) Attendee Carla Aderante is shown working on her quilt during Danko's workshop at the Devereaux Library.

Photo courtesy of the Crawford County Library system

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is June 21

The Crawford County Environmental Department will sponsor a Household Hazardous Waste Day on Saturday, June 21,

Collection will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the parking lot of the Crawford County Building at 200 West Michigan Avenue in Grayling. This service is for Crawford County residents only.

Items accepted for disposal will be: paints, aerosols, acids, liquid automotive products, batteries, cleaners, heavy metal solutions, pesticides, solvents, propane cylinders, asbestos, re-actives and unknowns.

Smokey Bear says:
Be careful with fire this holiday weekend and... Never leave your campfire alone!

No commercial waste, latex paint, appliances or scrap metal will be accepted.

Scrap tires will again be properly disposed of for a fee of \$1 each. Only tires with the rims removed will be accepted.

A "Swap Area" for the exchange of usable products will be available this year. All items must be true to label and uncontaminated. The County will not be liable for items taken from the site.

There is no fee for this household hazardous waste disposal service. However, donations will be accepted for the Grayling Fish Hatchery Restoration Project.

Any questions may be directed to Environmental Monitor Bruce Patrick at (989) 344-3258.

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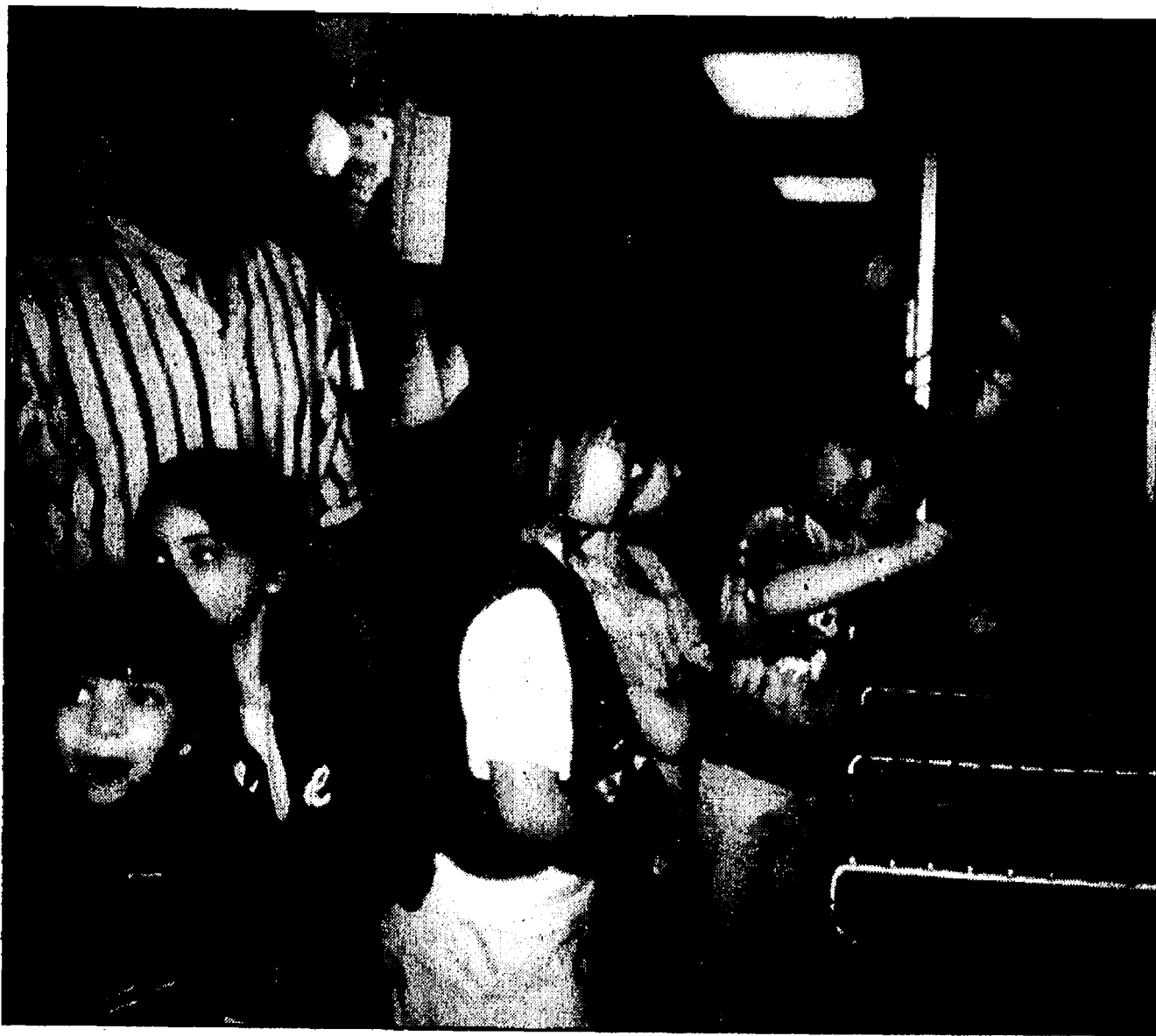
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Troop members become pizza makers



The 2nd grade Brownie Troop #2461 visited the local Little Caesar's restaurant to see how pizzas are made. Owner/operator Jeff Knirk gave the girls the opportunity to make their own pizzas, which they enjoyed in the dining room. Brownies who participated were (in alphabetical order): Emily Barnes, Sarah Goodyear, Charlene Hermann, LeAndra Horton, Amanda McClellan, Kiersten Mead, Cortnee Nye and Tina Teal.

New dentist is no stranger to Grayling

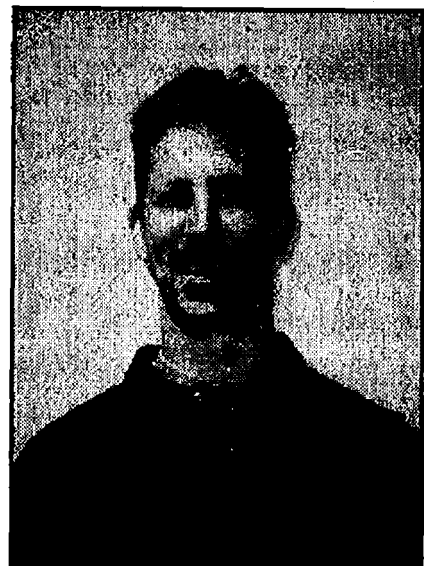
by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Dr. Ralph Oppermann, D.D.S., a 1986 graduate of Grayling High School, will be opening AuSable Family Dental sometime during the second week of June. He said his schedule is not quite set yet but anyone interested in setting up an appointment can call 344-2525. The office is located at 234 Michigan Avenue, on the corner of Michigan and Peninsular.

Dr. Oppermann has been working at a clinic in Sault Ste. Marie since he graduated from the University of Detroit Dental

School in 1997.

Although his family has



Dr. Ralph Oppermann

moved back to Grayling, he will not finish working in the Soo until June 6.

Oppermann is the son of Mary Brown. He said he is happy to get back to Grayling because he has always considered Grayling his home, regardless of where he was living.

His wife, Cari, is his office

manager. She is also a graduate of GHS. She is the daughter of Neil Longworth.

Oppermann and his wife are looking forward to getting involved in the community. They believe it's a great community and want their daughters, Megan and Nicole, to grow up here.

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GHS presents its 2003 Top 10 Students



Charles J. McNamara
Valedictorian

Charles Joseph McNamara has been named 2003 Grayling High School Class Valedictorian. He is the 17-year old son of Mike and Bev McNamara.

He plans on attending Harvard University to pursue a degree in economics, or a field in the humanities or social sciences.

"Charley" was selected as a National Merit Commended Student, AP Scholar, and a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

While at Grayling High School, he participated four years in cross country, was a third place State Finalist in Forensics for Impromptu Speaking, and was a four-year member of both cast and crew in the theater program. Charley also served as President of the National Honor Society.

He enjoys playing piano, is active in the GHS Key Club by tutoring, and participates in char-

ity drives and other related activities.

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Jason W. Henning
Salutatorian

Jason William Henning has been named the 2003 Grayling High School Class-Salutatorian. He is the 17-year old son of Anthony Henning and Tamara Henning.

Jason plans on attending the University of Chicago to study astrophysics and other physical/life sciences.

He is the recipient of the Patrick Gilmore Band Award, the MEAP Merit scholarship, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

While at GHS, Jason has been a member of the GHS National Honor Society, serving as its vice president, and was the senior representative for Band Council.

He has been a member of the GHS Pit Band for fall musicals for four years, was a crew mem-

ber for two spring plays, participated in forensics for two years, and played tennis his senior year.

Jason was chosen for ten honors bands including District II, Central Michigan University, Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, and the State Honors Bands.

He has assisted with the Crawford County Fair for two years, and has tutored middle school band students for three years to help prepare them for Solo/Ensemble. Jason enjoys reading books as often as his schedule allows, playing his clarinet, golf and tennis.

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Christopher M. Cragg
Top Ten Student

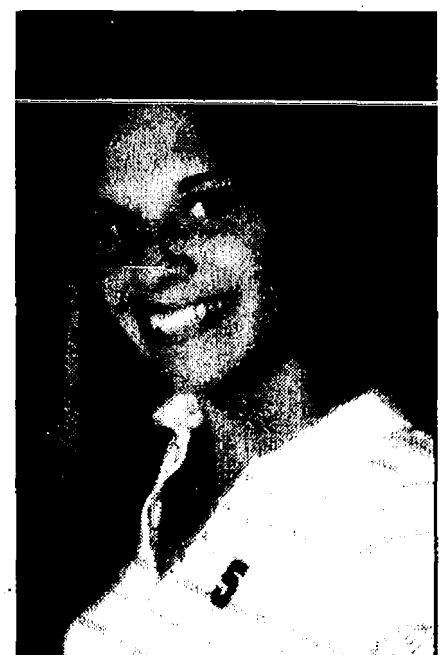
Christopher Michael Cragg, 18, is the son of Melanie Cragg and Bryan Cragg.

He plans on attending Saginaw Valley State University to pursue a degree in computer science.

Chris is the recipient of the MEAP Scholarship and the Saginaw Valley State University Scholar Award. He was also selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

While at GHS, Chris has been a member of the National Honor Society, and participated in track his senior year. His interests include listening to music, the sport of paintball, and hanging out with his friends.

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Jessica L. Green
Top Ten Student

Jessica Lynn Green, 17, is the daughter of Karl and Cheri Green.

She plans on attending Northwood University in West Palm Beach, Florida, to earn a degree in banking and finance/management. Jessica plans to pursue a career in real estate.

She is the recipient of the MEAP Scholarship and has served as treasurer of the GHS National Honor Society.

Jessica has been a scholar ath-

lete her entire high school career, participating four years in girls basketball and four years in track and field.

She is a member of the Grayling High School CARES program and is involved in the St. Mary's youth group. She also referees boys youth basketball, assists with the girls youth basketball camp and Vacation Bible School, and was Santa's Helper at Co-op day care.

Jessica's hobbies include music, traveling, physical fitness and sports.

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Janelle K. Gregorich
Top Ten Student

Janelle Kristen Gregorich, 17, is the daughter of Jon and Dianne Gregorich.

She plans on attending Saginaw Valley State University to major in elementary education.

Janelle is a recipient of the MEAP Scholarship, the Saginaw Valley State University scholarship, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

Other academic honors include Greatest Single Co-Curricular Accomplishment by a Student, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and she received a Special Award for Middle School Tutoring Program.

Janelle is president of the senior class, vice president of Business Professionals of America, secretary of Key Club, and a member of GHS CARES and Positive Peer Involvement.

She has participated in basketball, football cheerleading, soccer, pom poms, powder puff football, tennis, cross country and volleyball.

She has assisted with cheer clinics and tutoring at the middle school, and is a volunteer for the American Red Cross Blood Drives and the Crawford AuSable Day Care.

Janelle is also involved in the Read and Lead Program, the Rake and Escape Program, as well as many other programs with Key Club.

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Kenneth James Heinlein, 17, is the son of James and Mary Heinlein.

He plans on attending Central Michigan University to pursue a double major in music performance and music education.

Ken is a recipient of the Central Michigan University Board of Trustees Scholarship and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

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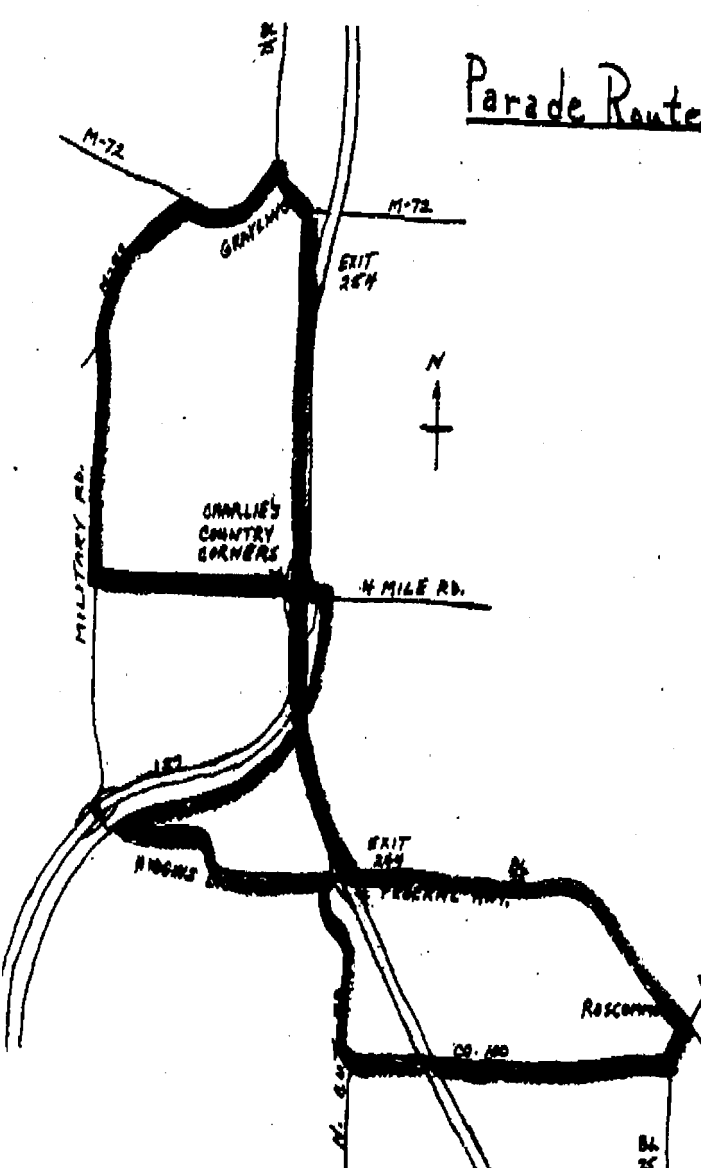
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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

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P.S. Experts estimate that more than 1.5 million osteoporosis-related fractures occur each year.

GHS presents its 2003 Top 10 Students

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Kenneth J. Heinlein
Top Ten Student

He is the GHS Band Council president, and secretary of the National Honor Society.

Ken has participated in a variety of activities at Grayling High School including tennis, golf, band, debate, and forensics. He volunteers at his church and for band in a variety of teaching endeavors and leadership positions.

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trade of masonry, working as a builder, and acquiring a builder's license.

He is a recipient of the MEAP Merit Award and volunteers his time tutoring and in the Bible education work of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Kevin enjoys snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, basketball and playing music.

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Coleman R. Payne
Top Ten Student

Coleman R. Payne, 18, is the son of John and Stephanie Payne.

Coleman plans to attend Tulane University in New Orleans, and is undecided on his major.

He was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team. He is a member of the National Honor Society, and has scored above average on SAT and ACT testing.

He plays the baritone and trombone in band and has participated in marching band, concert band, jazz band and the brass quintet.

While at GHS, he has been involved in forensics and has contributed his talents as a crew member for the theater production of "Oklahoma!"

Coleman enjoys computers,

web hosting, movies, music, reading, and volunteers his time with the brass quintet for community events.

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Monica A. Safin
Top Ten Student

Monica Ann Safin, 18, is the daughter of Robert Safin and Kathleen Dyer, and Cindy and Larry Simpson.

She plans on attending Michigan State University and is undecided on her major.

Monica is a recipient of the Michigan Merit Award, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team. She was selected as the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar Ambassador, and is a member of the National Honor Society, and Quill and Scroll.

Monica has served as the Key Club President, Co-Editor of the Norseman school newspaper, Vice President of Student Senate, and is involved with Youth in Government.

While at GHS, Monica has participated in cross country for three years, soccer for three years, track for one year, and power lifting for one year. She enjoys tutoring, Read and Lead, and has volunteered for the River House Shelter Hygiene drive.



Laura A. Strohkirch
Top Ten Student

Laura Ann Strohkirch, 17, is the daughter of Richard and Annmarie Strohkirch.

She plans on attending Michigan Technological University to earn a degree in chemical engineering.

Laura is the recipient of the Michigan Merit Award, Board of Control Scholarship, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

She is a member of the GHS National Honor Society, and vice president of Key Club. Laura has participated in varsity tennis and figure skating. She enjoys tennis, sailing, reading, camping, and spending time with her family and friends.

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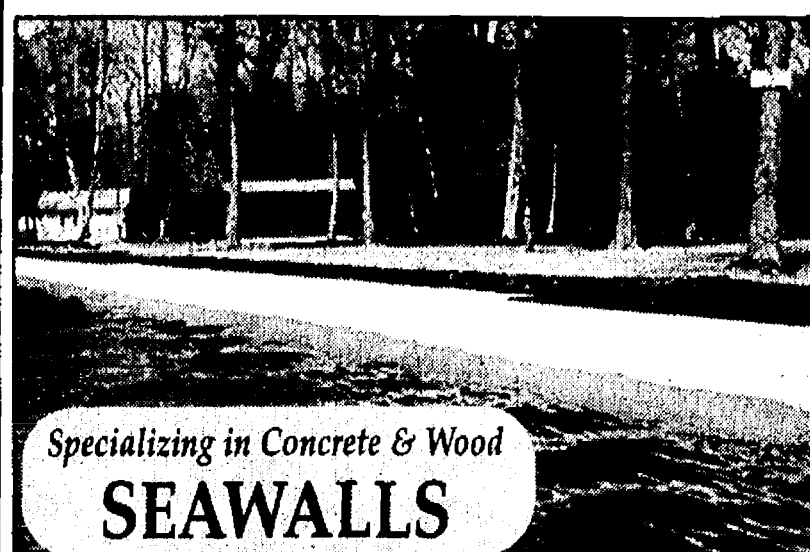
The Grayling High School Class of 2003 will hold its Commencement Ceremony on Friday, June 6 at 8 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

With the exception of Valedictorian and Salutatorian, the Top 10 Students were presented here in alphabetical order, not according to grade point average or other determining factors as requested by Grayling High School.

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Marianne Vollmer, of Grayling, has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester of 2003. To attain a place on the Dean's List, students must have at least a 3.3 GPA on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours.

earning a 3.5 GPA. She has completed her third year at Michigan State University majoring in the field of Telecommunications. Terah is

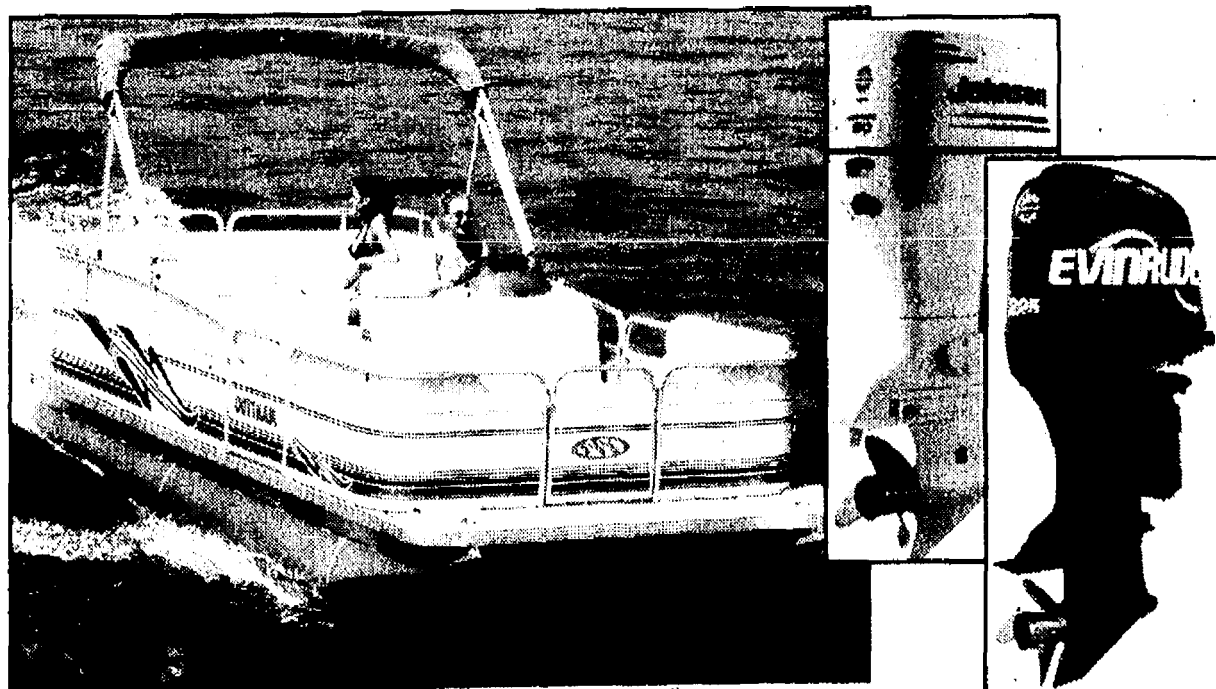
a 2000 graduate of Grayling High School.

She is the daughter of Mike and Deb Armstrong of Grayling.

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Another sign that enrollment is going through the roof at Kirtland: the college conferred diplomas and certificates on 113 graduates in a May 9 ceremony.

"I am told that this is the largest graduating class ever in the history of Kirtland Community College," President Dr. Charles Rorie said before a festive crowd of more than 1,000. Among them: about a third who graduated from high school within the past five years; more than half of them parents; several grandparents; one great-grandmother; and the first-ever graduate of the new M-TEC at Kirtland-Gaylord, which opened its doors last year.

Christian Oestrike, Kirtland's director of financial aid, was honored as the college's outstanding alumna. Dr. Eric R. Gilbertson, president of Saginaw Valley State University, delivered the commencement

address.

"Congratulations on a record crowd," Gilbertson told the graduates. "These ceremonies are memorable because of what they symbolize."

"Kirtland Community College is a very American place. It stands for a very American ideal, that every citizen, no matter what their standing or place in our society, deserves an opportunity to improve themselves. In no other nation on earth, at no other time in our history has there been this kind of opportunity."

Going to college, Gilbertson added, "is very patriotic because you are living the ideals of a nation, fulfilling a duty to make things better for the next generation."

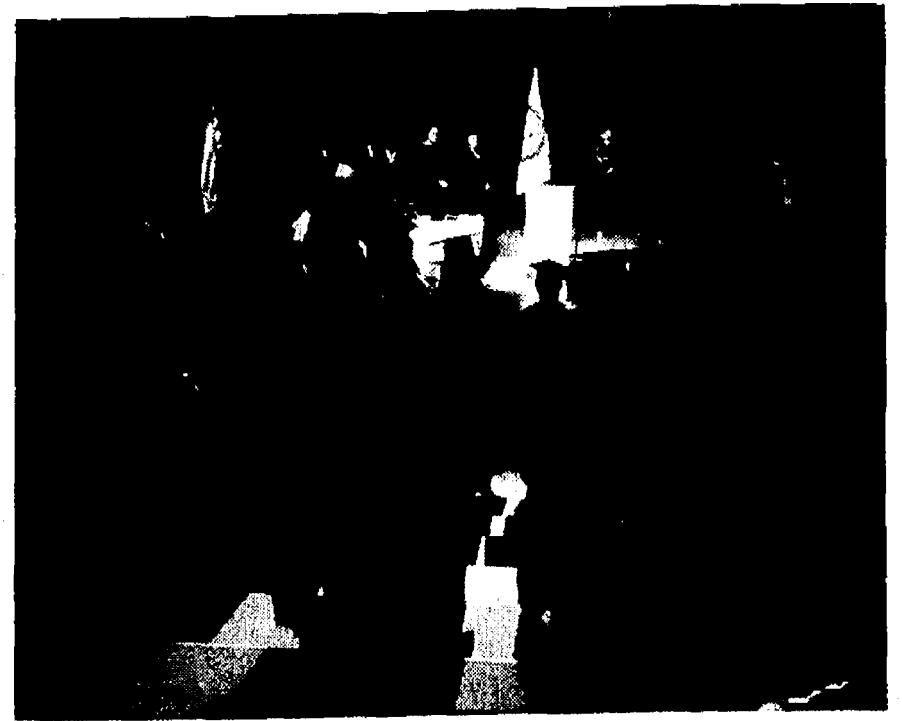


Photo courtesy of Kirtland Community College

Graduates file out of Kirtland's Center for the Performing Arts after receiving diplomas and certificates in May 9 ceremonies.

Student chosen to study robotics



Tim Umlor

Tim Umlor, of Grayling, has

been chosen to attend a Summer Institute at Western Michigan University to study robotics.

Every year, the Michigan State Board of Education sponsors a number of educational opportunities called the Summer Institutes. They are one to two week seminars held around the state at various colleges for highly talented students from across Michigan who are entering their junior or senior year of high school.

Subjects offered range from Wildlife and Forest Ecology to Landscape Painting, to Music and Computers, to Organic Chemistry. Expenses are taken care of by the local Intermediate

School Board, COOR, as well as by the state of Michigan.

The number of students chose for the Summer Institutes is quite small, and students must make it through a number of cuts before being selected.

The nomination process begins at the high school, where two nominees may be proposed. These nominees must submit an essay and go through an interview process with interviewers from COOR. The ISD then sends an allotted number of nominees on to a final, statewide selection panel.

Tim is the son of Grayling High School teacher, Deb Umlor.

School Aid Fund gets boost from Senate

LANSING — Senator Tony Stamas (R-Midland) has sponsored an amendment protecting K-12 education in the face of another budget shortfall in the state School Aid Fund. The shortfall was announced at the May Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference held May 13 at the Michigan State Capitol.

"It is unreasonable to ask schools to slash their budgets as they prepare for the end of the school year," Stamas said. "I am glad that the governor agrees with Senate Republicans that education funding should remain solvent," Stamas said.

On Wednesday, the Senate acted promptly to move Senate Bill 183, which as a result of the Stamas' amendment, transfers \$61 million from the general fund to the state School Aid Fund. The transfer reflects the estimated net shortfall in the School Aid Fund determined by the revenue estimating conference. The approximately \$31 million remaining in the shortfall will be handled by the refinancing of existing bonds.

"We cannot allow Michigan's parents and students to bear the full weight of the state's budget shortfall," Stamas said. "The action we took today (May 14) will prevent the massive cuts school districts would have been forced to make."

The May Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference provided lawmakers with details on the state's economic outlook and revenue collections. Figures released during the conference show a significant budget shortfall in the 2003 School Aid Fund of nearly \$92 million.

"Transferring the money from the general fund to the School Aid Fund represents our priorities during the challenging process of balancing the state budget," said Stamas.

The revenue estimating conference also provided lawmakers with information on the collection of state revenues, the status of the state and national economy and the budget pictures for the 2003 and 2004 Fiscal Years.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Heather Renee Wilcox and Randall Beals Jr., announce the birth of their son, Randall Wade Beals III, born April 16 at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo. He weighed in at 7 pounds 6 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long.

Randall's grandparents are AJ Wilcox of Palm Bay, FL and JanEl Arntson of Schoolcraft, MI, Randall Beals Sr. and Barbara Harrison, both of Chesapeake, VA. Great grandparents are Warren and Helen Hatfield, John and Beverly

Wilcox of Grayling and Mary Lassiter and Lizzie Harrison, both from Virginia.


BIRTHS



Andrew James Kanary

Andrew James Kanary was born March 22, 2003 to Paul and Kimberly Kanary of Grayling. He weighed 8 pounds, one ounce at birth.

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Girl Scouts earn water safety badges

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Photo courtesy of Girl Scout Troop #2460

Enforcement zones aim to boost seat belt use

Michigan law enforcement officials concerned that safety belt use has stalled, including those in Crawford County, unveiled plans to boost belt use by piloting new "safety belt enforcement zones" across the state on roads where crashes are high or belt use is low.

Not only will enforcement get a fresh look, but a stronger enforcement message, "Buckle Up or Pay Up," will be paired with the well-known "Click it or Ticket" slogan during a two week ad blitz that started last week.

A two-week national safety belt mobilization that runs through June 1 began Monday, May 19. Nearly 500 Michigan law enforcement agencies have joined thousands of agencies across the country making safety belt enforcement a priority. In November/December 2002, officers issued more than 19,000 safety belt citations during a similar safety belt crackdown.

Michigan's safety belt use rate is 82.9 percent, slightly below the all-time high of 83.5 percent achieved in 2000 when the primary law took effect. The goal is 90 percent belt use by 2004 to further drive down traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

That's where enforcement zones come in. The zones will be strategically located in populous areas where crash problems are prevalent or belt use is low. Special, portable "safety belt enforcement zone" signs will alert motorists they are entering an enforcement area, which will run from four to six hours. One officer will serve as a spotter who will radio unbelted motorist information to nearby marked patrol cars who will pull over offending motorists. Similar programs have been run in the past to detect speeding motorists and construction zone violators.

Zones will debut throughout the state. Federal traffic safety funds administered by the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning will pay for officers' time.

Since the safety belt law changed in 2000, traffic fatalities have been on the decline. In 1999, there were 1,386 people killed in traffic crashes. In 2002,

that number fell to 1,264 traffic deaths. Over the three summer holidays last year, 58 people were killed in Michigan traffic crashes: 15 over Memorial Day weekend, 30 over the Fourth of July period, and 13 during Labor Day weekend.

For more information on seat belt enforcement zones, visit: www.michigan.gov/msp. Click on Services to Governmental Agencies, then select Office of Highway Safety Planning. Click on the "Buckle Up or Pay Up" logo.

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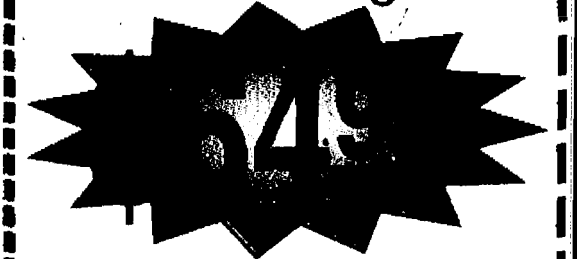
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The Animal Shelter Pooper Scoopers, with a lot of help from their cheerleader, Tonyia Brady, won the 16th Annual Pictionary Olympics on May 9. Team members, standing with judges Alton T. Davis and Monte Burmeister (concealed by a pom pon), were Gail Foguth, Mika Sumner, Kristina Brady and Cassie Maples. Master of Ceremonies again was John Jones (left top).

Twelve teams vie for Pictionary Olympics title

Though no one seems quite sure if it was a record score, the Animal Shelter of Crawford County's Pooper Scooper team took only 34 seconds in total to draw and guess their four words at the 16th Annual Pictionary Olympics on May 9.

The Pooper Scoopers' words were garden, sail, wrap and ton. Their fastest time was five seconds.

Twelve teams participated in the event sponsored by the Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) to raise funds for the AuSable River Festival Parade. Master of Ceremonies was John Jones and judges were attorney Monte Burmeister and the Hon. Alton T. Davis. Anyone who attended that Friday night will never forget the cheerleading by shelter employee, Tonyia Brady, who kept everyone motivated.

The standings at the end of the evening were as follows: 1st Animal Shelter - 34; 2nd J. Dap Co. - 56; 3rd Weyerhaeuser Company - 117; 4th Summers Dealer Services - 127; 5th



Kenquest House - 153; 6th GPA - 165; 7th Chemical Bank West - 172; 8th North Central Area Credit Union - 215; 9th Spikes Keg O'Nails - 232; 10th Scheer Motors - 280; 11th Dean & Aubrey Optometrists - 286; Last Place - ABWA - 305. The first three finishers and the last place team took home trophies.

One-day boating safety school offered June 7

Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy Jason Alexander will conduct a complimentary Boating Safety School on Saturday, June 7.

The school will be held at the Sheriff's Office, 200 West Michigan Avenue, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at 1:30 p.m. Participants should be at least 12 years of age.

Upon successful completion of the school, participants will receive a Michigan Boating

Safety School Certificate. Under state law, all persons born after December 31, 1979 need a boating certificate to legally operate a personal watercraft.

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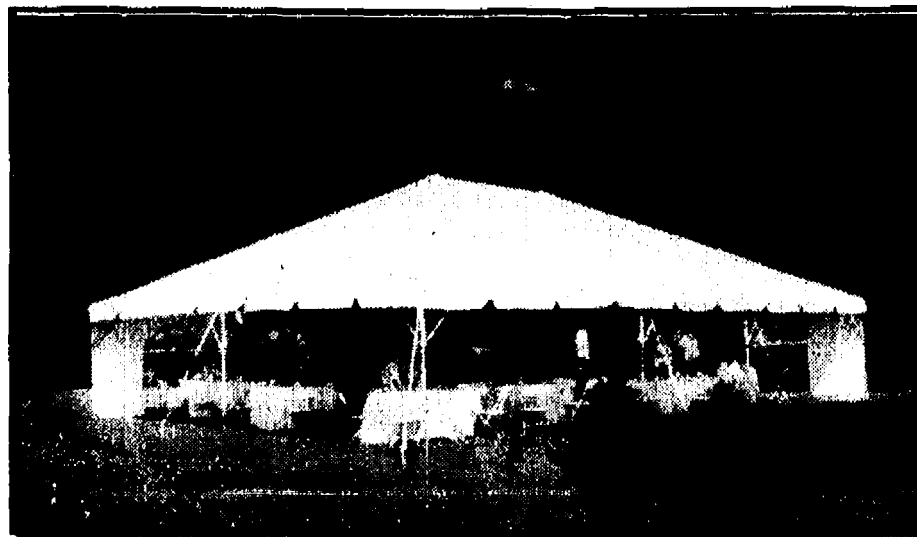
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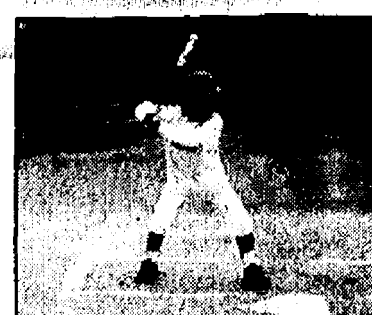
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Softball team hosts Traverse City St. Francis



Photo by Caleb Casey

Laura Gorski pitches for Grayling High School's varsity softball team in a game against Traverse City St. Francis last Monday at GHS. For more on the softball team, see Page 4B.

GHS long jumper qualifies for State

► Jessica Green places 1st at Regionals in long jump competition

One Grayling High School girls track athlete – Jessica Green, a senior – placed high enough at Saturday's Regional Track Meet in Gaylord to qualify for the State Finals.

Green took 1st place in the long jump event with a jump of 15'7.5".

"I am so proud of Jess. She has worked very hard all season to reach her goal of making it to State. I'm looking forward to seeing what she can do in Caledonia," Coach Heidi West said. "Ashley Hawley also turned in a strong performance in high jump."

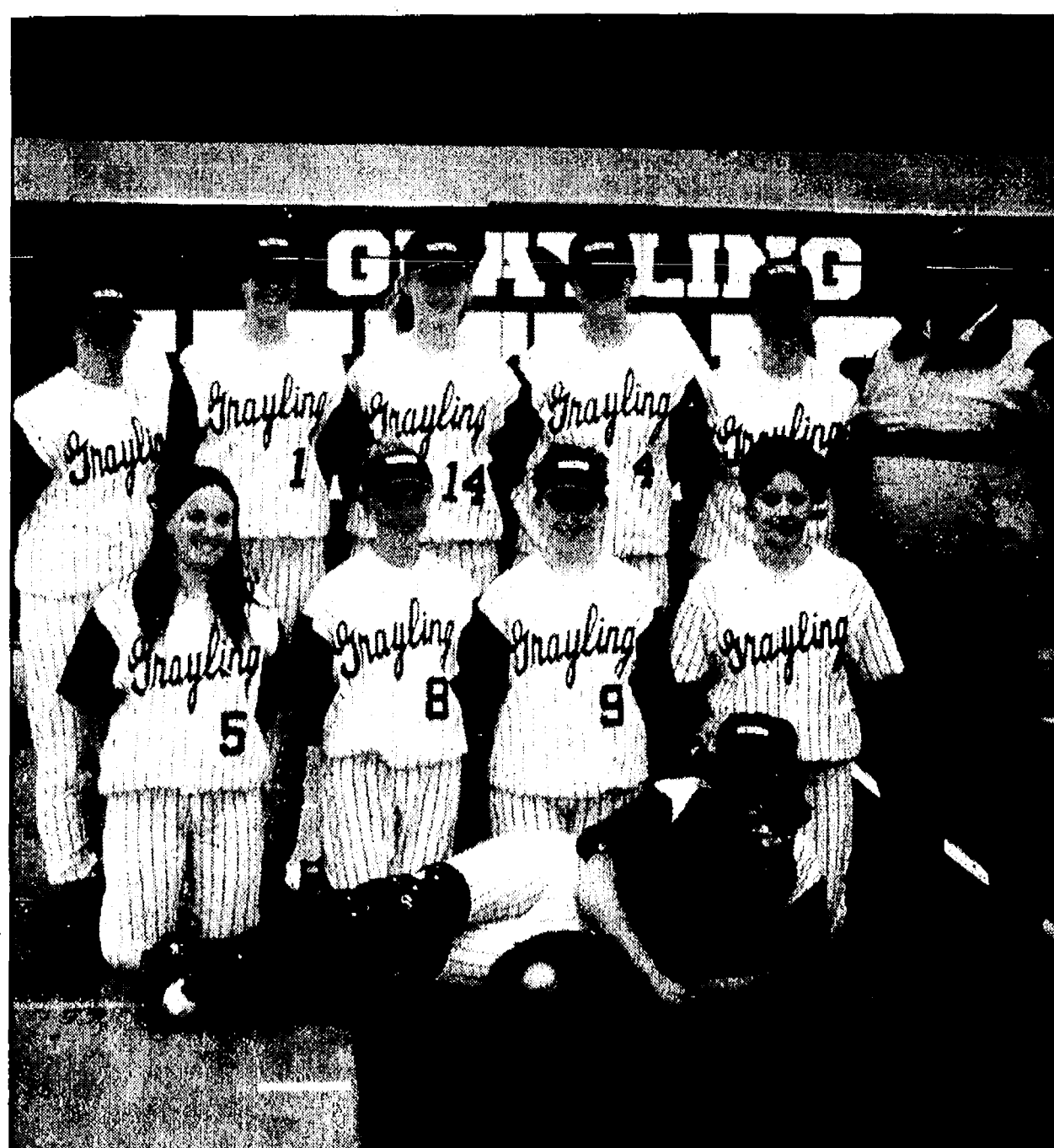
Hawley tied for 4th at Regionals in the high jump event. She cleared the bar at 4'9".

The girls track team will compete in the North East Michigan Conference Meet on Wednesday, May 21, at Standish Sterling Central.



Jessica Green

JV Softball Team



The GHS junior varsity softball team: (front) Andrea Southard; (middle, left to right) Erica Parker, Erica Fenn, Jenny Long, Kelly Rogers; (back, left to right) Ashley Prosser, Jaimi Drudge, Jenni Emmons, Kelly Dunckley, Natalie Christman, Coach Loren Bass.

Varsity Softball Team



The GHS varsity softball team: (front, left to right) Lori Ellis, Patti Martella, Lexi Bondar; (middle, left to right) Skylynn Palmer, Megan Madill, Emily Harvey, Laura Gorski; (back, left to right) Coach Donna Boughner, Heather Metzger, Chelsea Wolcott, Angeanette Lovely, Andria Alvarez, Coach Arica Wolcott.



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Vikings split with TCSF, East Jordan

► Grayling wins 10-9, falls 17-2 in series vs. Traverse City St. Francis

The GHS varsity baseball team split doubleheaders with both Traverse City St. Francis and East Jordan last week.

On Monday, the Vikings won game one of the series 10-9 but lost game two 17-2 vs. TC St. Francis.

In game one, Grayling scored three runs in the first inning. D.J. Metzger led off with a single, stole second, and moved to third on a single by Wakeley. Metzger scored on a sacrifice fly by Joe Lange. Wakeley advanced to second on a wild pitch and scored on a single by Roy Czapek. Czapek scored on a single by Greg Morrill.

TCSF got on the board in the second inning with a homerun. In Grayling's half of the inning, Metzger singled, took second on a passed ball, and scored on a single by Wakeley.

The Vikings scored three more runs in the third inning on a walk, two errors by TC, and a single by Gibson Tobin.

St. Francis scored one run in the fifth inning, leaving the score at Grayling 7, TCSF 4.

Traverse City scored five runs in the top of the sixth on four walks, three hits, and three passed balls.

Grayling came back to win with a two-out rally in the bottom of the sixth. Kaiser walked. Wakeley singled. Lange singled to drive in Kaiser. Czapek was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Morrill walked to force in Wakeley, tying the game at 9-9. Ryan Davis walked to force in the winning run.

Wakeley picked up the win pitching in relief.

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Photos by Caleb Casey

Chris Wakeley puts the ball in play vs. Traverse City St. Francis in a varsity baseball series at GHS last Monday.

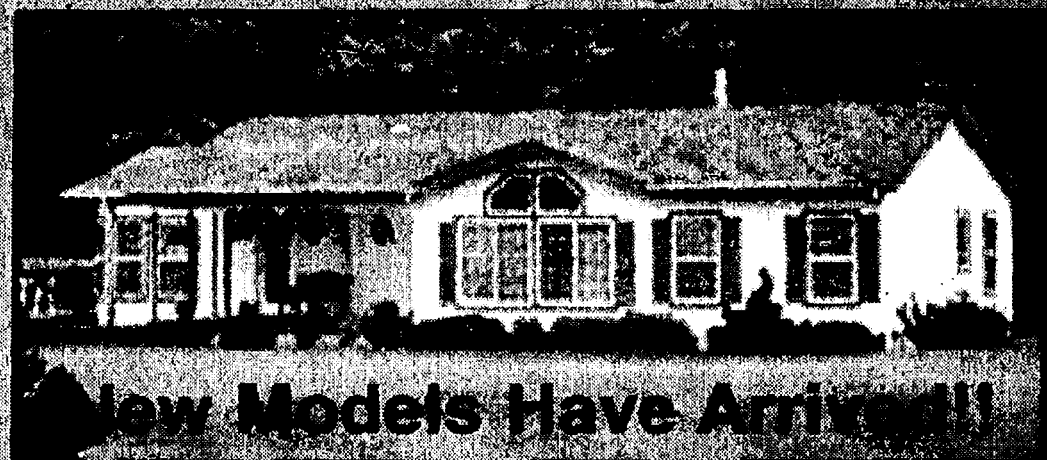


D.J. Metzger slides into home plate for Grayling in game one of the doubleheader against Traverse City St. Francis.



Matt Strohpaal crosses the plate for Grayling in the series vs. TCSF.

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Vikings compete in Regionals

► Boys track team shut out in quest for State Finals berths

Grayling High School's boys track team competed in Regionals at Gaylord this past

Saturday. A few Vikings placed well, but none qualified for the State Finals.

"Our expectations were high for the State Finals. We had some guys that came close. I'm proud of my guys - they worked hard all year," said Coach Darnell Wilson. "We have a young team - the majority are sophomores

and freshmen. Within the next two years, we will have a powerhouse team."

Tyler Cragg just missed making the 100-meter dash finals. Ryan Schmidt finished just outside the top eight in 300-meter hurdles. "Both of them) did a really good job," Coach Wilson added.

Tim Umlor (discus) was the highest ranked sophomore at the meet. "He should contend for a state championship in the next two years," Coach Wilson said.

"These guys really stepped it up this year," Coach Wilson added.

The Vikings compete in the NEMC meet this week.

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Vikings split with TCSF, East Jordan

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Leading hitters for GHS were: Wakeley, 3 for 4, 1 RBI; Metzger, 2 for 4; Lange, 1 for 3, 2 RBI; Czapek, 2 for 2, 1 RBI; Morrill, 1 for 3, 2 RBI; Davis, 1 for 3, 2 RBI; Joe Zelek, 2 RBI.

In game two, TCSF erupted for 13 hits (3 HR, 1 3B, 3 2B) and drew four walks in a 17-2 victory over GHS.

On Tuesday, the Vikings split a doubleheader in Grayling vs. East Jordan.

East Jordan won game one of the series 12-3. The team had 13 hits (2 HR, 3 2B) and got help from five Grayling errors.

Leading hitters for the Vikings were: Tobin, 2 for 3, 1 RBI; Andy Strohpaal, 2 for 3; Wakeley, 2 RBI.

Game two, a seesaw battle, was won by Grayling by a final score of 10-9.

Strohpaal, now 3-1 on the mound for GHS this season, picked up the win. He pitched all six innings, scattering 11 hits and one walk, and striking out seven.

In the first inning, Grayling got on the board with a homerun by Kaiser. Davis singled, reached second on an error, and scored on a single by Czapek. Czapek stole second and scored on a single by Morrill. Morrill stole a base, then scored on a fielder's choice hit by Tobin.

East Jordan countered with three unearned runs on three GHS errors.

The Vikings scored two runs in the third inning on a homerun by Lange and a single by Strohpaal. GHS led 7-6.

In the fourth, East Jordan scored three to take a 9-7 lead.

The Vikings tied the game at 9-9 with RBI singles by Tobin and Strohpaal in the fifth inning.

Strohpaal got East Jordan out one-two-three. The Vikings won the game on a two-out single by Lange that scored Czapek.

Leading hitters for GHS were: Lange, 3 for 4 (1 HR), 2 RBI;

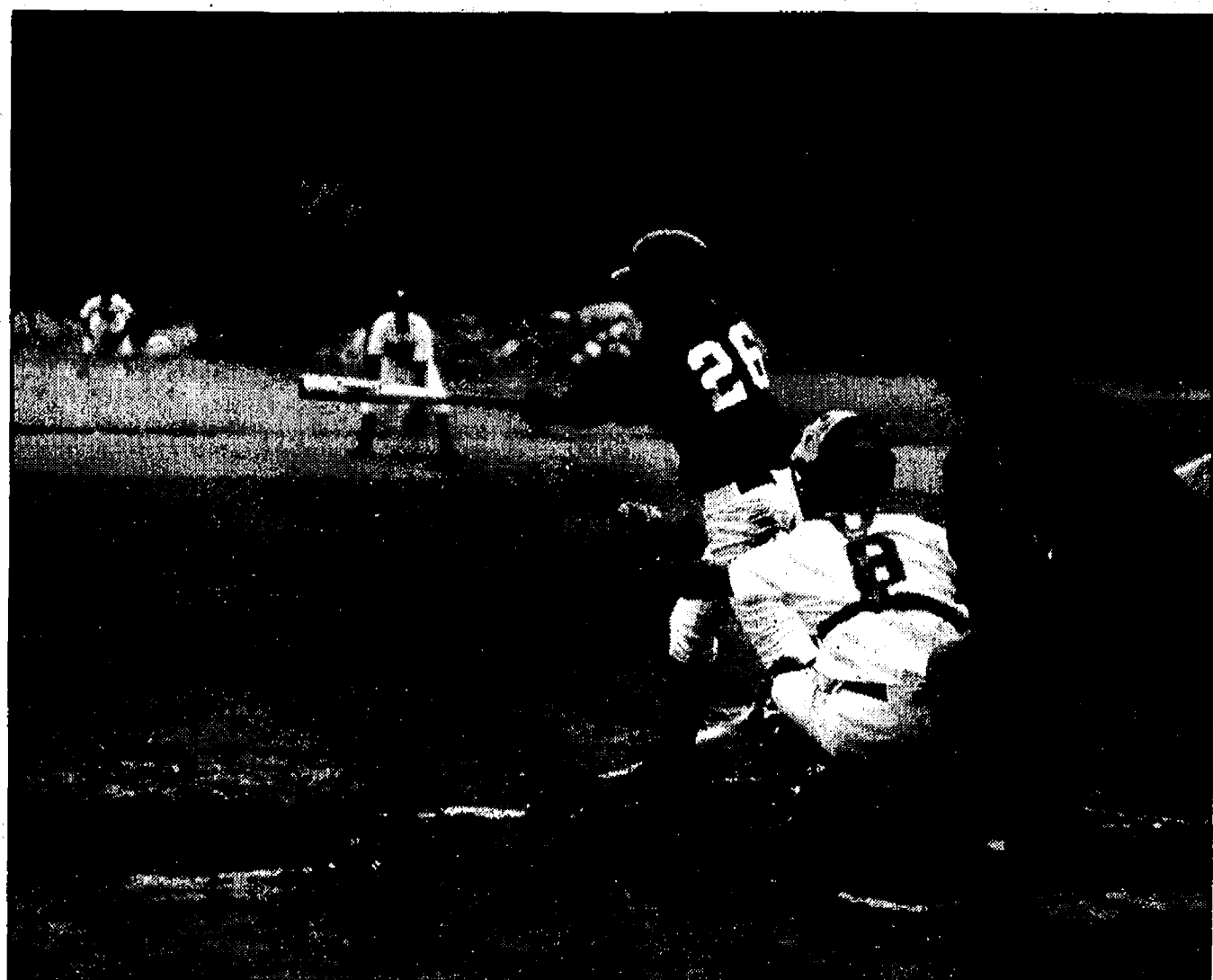


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D.J. Metzger hits the ball for Grayling in the TCSF series on Monday.

Morrill, 2 for 2, 1 RBI; Tobin, 2 for 3, 2 RBI, 6 stolen bases; Strohpaal, 3 for 3, 2 RBI.

At Pinconning on Friday, the Vikings lost 13-3, 5-4.

Grayling out-hit the Spartans 10-7 in game one but stranded eight runners. Pinconning had a grand slam homerun in the second inning and a three-run homer in the fifth.

Leading hitters for Grayling in game one were: Metzger, 2 for 3; Kaiser, 2 for 3; Lange, 2 for 3 (1 HR), 2 RBI.

In game two, "Roy Czapek

threw a beautiful game only to lose it on four unearned runs," Coach Bob Gorski said.

The Vikings had four errors in the match - including one in the fourth inning that allowed the winning run to score for Pinconning.

In the first inning, GHS scored on a sacrifice fly by Lange that scored Kaiser.

Grayling scored three in the third inning on a single by Davis and a walk to Morrill followed by a double by Kaiser and a single by Wakeley. Pinny scored

three unearned runs in the bottom of the third to tie the game at 4-4.

The Spartans took the lead in the fourth on a two-out error by Grayling's outfield.

In the last inning, Pinconning got out of trouble with a double play on a line drive and a warning track catch in the outfield.

Leading hitters for Grayling were: Kaiser, 2 for 3, 2 RBI; Wakeley, 1 for 3, 1 RBI.

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Golf team defeats Hillman, Rosco

On May 7, the Vikings of Grayling High School defeated Roscommon and Hillman in a varsity girls golf meet at Grayling Country Club. Final team scores were: Grayling, 220; Hillman, 228; Roscommon, 283.

Grayling's 220 was the team's best score so far this season.

Kim Mitchell led Grayling with a 49. Mallory Olson shot a 51, June Clark finished at 55, and Jessie Morley ended the day at 65.

On May 5, the Vikings finished 3rd out of five teams at the Hillman Invitational. Final team scores were: Traverse City Central, 462; Alpena, 465; Grayling, 490; Rudyard, 503; Hillman, 513.

Individually, Mitchell earned a medal by finishing in the top 10. She placed 4th with a score of 110 (for 18 holes).

"It rained all day and I was so proud of the way the girls performed despite the cold, wet weather," Coach Tanya Wolcott said.

Northern Cafe

Viking of the Week

Girls Golf
Coach: Tanya Wolcott

KIM MITCHELL

Kim, as team captain, has shown leadership skills on and off the course. She has placed in the top two positions for Grayling at every meet. "We will miss her next year," her coach said.

Heads Up North

Viking of the Week

Varsity Baseball
Coach: Bob Gorski

ANDY STROHPAAL

Andy batted 6 for 13 last week (.461) and posted his third victory of the season on the mound for GHS in a game against East Jordan. He is 3-1 as a pitcher this year.

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Grayling catcher Emily Harvey checks a runner at third base in last Monday's series against Traverse City St. Francis.

Softball team falls to TCSF, East Jordan

► Vikings lose 8-2, 14-3 vs. East Jordan in Grayling on Tuesday

The GHS varsity softball team lost both games of recent double-headers vs. East Jordan and Traverse City St. Francis.

Last Tuesday, in a make-up game originally scheduled for May 5, the Vikings lost to East Jordan 8-2, 14-3 at GHS.

Laura Gorski pitched game one for Grayling and Chelsea Wolcott pitched the second game of the doubleheader.

"(Skylynn) Palmer had a great night - she was on base 3 of 5 times and scored two runs. (Kelly) Dunckley hit the ball and she had some key stolen bases. Emily Harvey had three

stolen bases and scored a run. (Heather) Metzger was on base 3 of 6 times and scored a run," Coach Donna Boughner said. "(Patti) Martella made a great catch in left. Metzger had a solid defensive game with six assists."

On Monday, the Vikings fell to Traverse City St. Francis 16-0, 14-0 at GHS.

Lexi Bondar and Dunckley both batted 1 for 2 in game one.

Gorski pitched for Grayling. "(On defense) Metzger and Harvey made a great rundown play," Coach Boughner said. "Palmer had seven put-outs."

Wolcott and Megan Madill pitched in game two for the Vikings.

On defense, Gorski had eight put-outs, Dunckley had four assists, and "Bondar had three great catches for outs," Boughner said.

The Vikings lost a series at Harbor Springs 16-6, 14-3 on May 8.

Gorski pitched game one and Wolcott pitched game two.

In game one, Metzger was the leading hitter for GHS at 3 for 3 (including a double) with 3 RBI. Martella and Dunckley each batted 1 for 3 and scored 1 run apiece. Bondar was 1 for 2 with 2 runs scored. Andrea Southard and Harvey each scored a run.

On defense, Palmer had six put-outs.

In game two, leading hitters for GHS were: Metzger, 1 for 1, 1 RBI; Martella, 1 for 2, 2 runs scored; Bondar, 1 for 1, 1 run scored.

Palmer had eight put-outs on defense.

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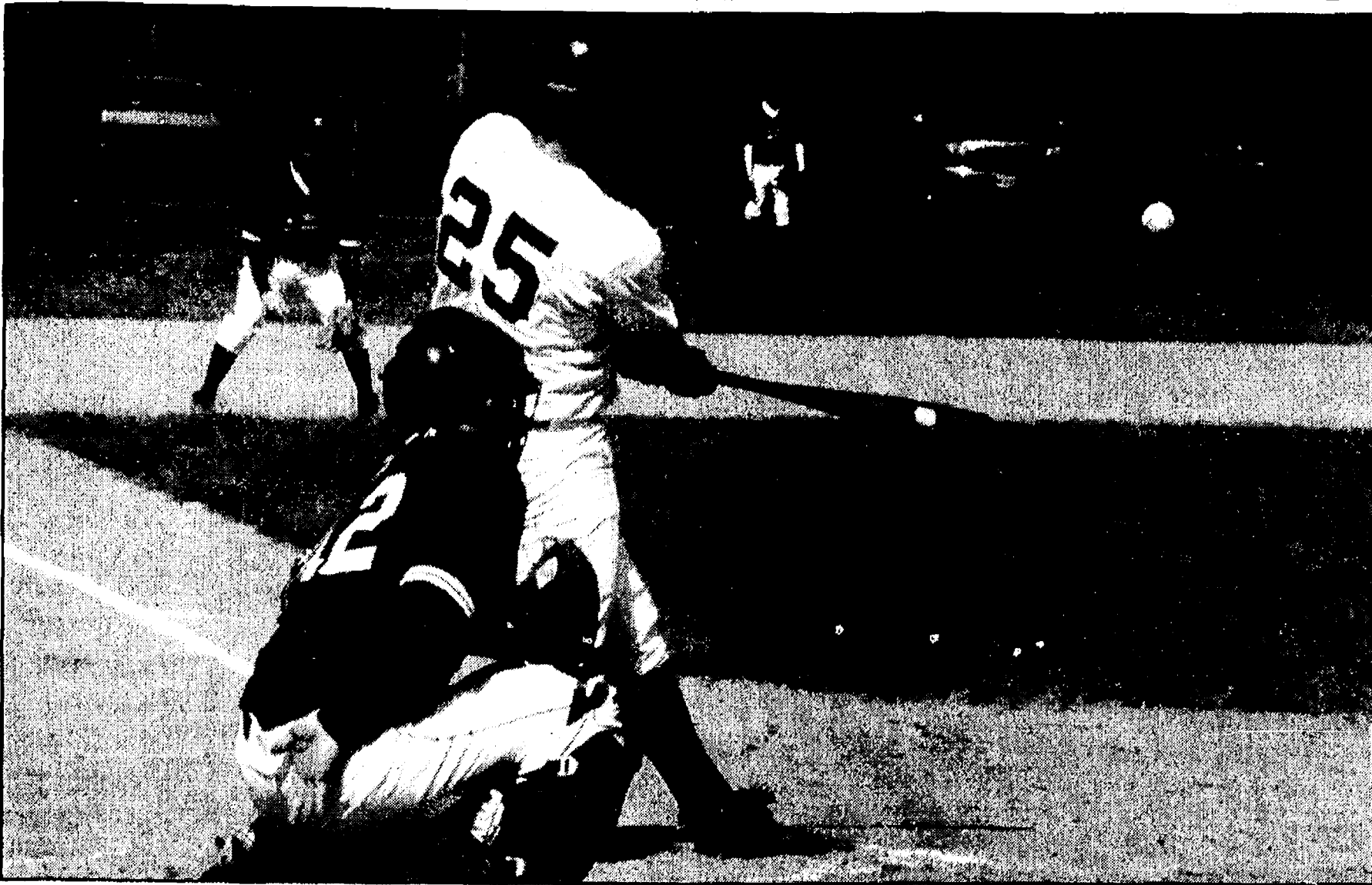
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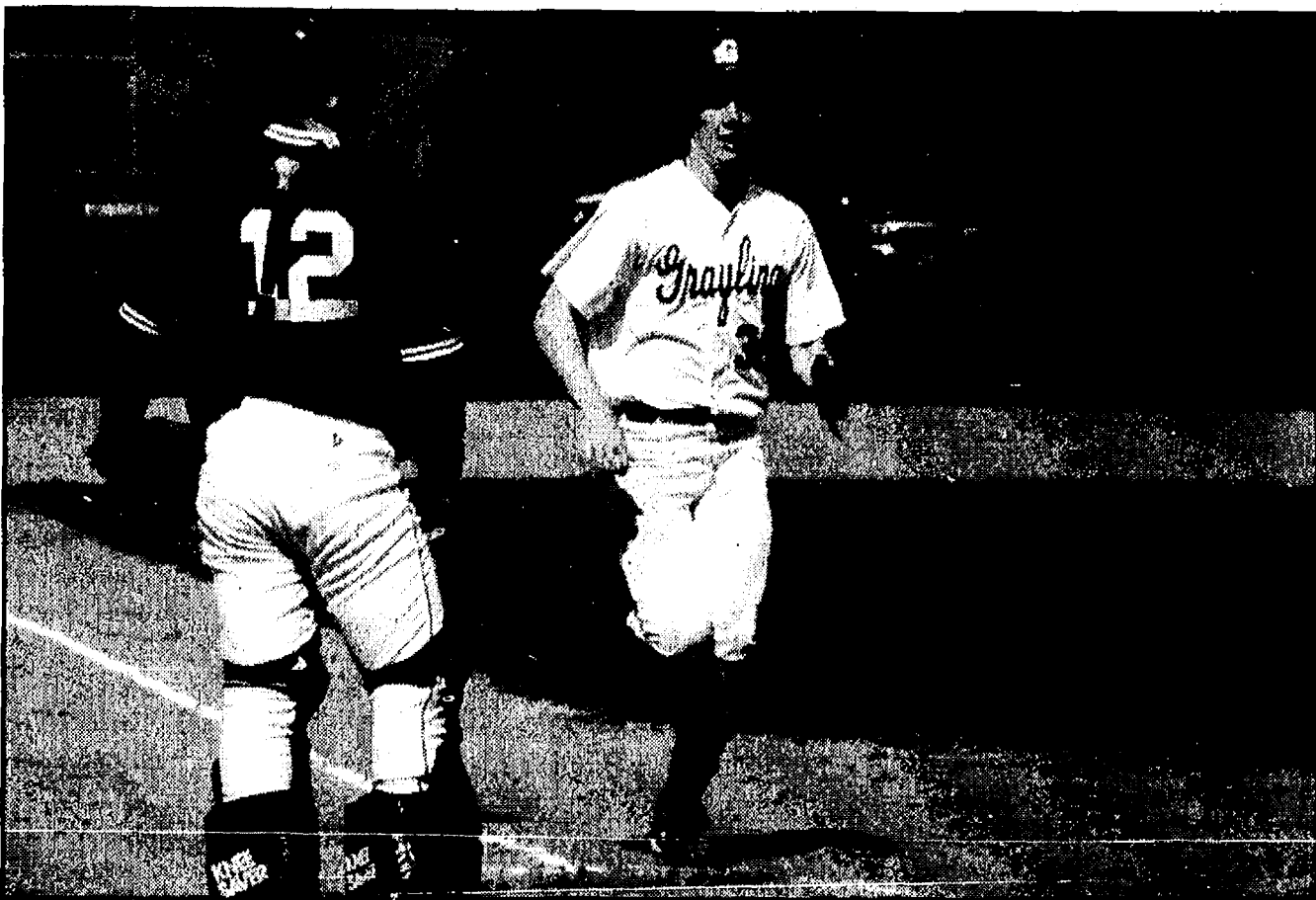
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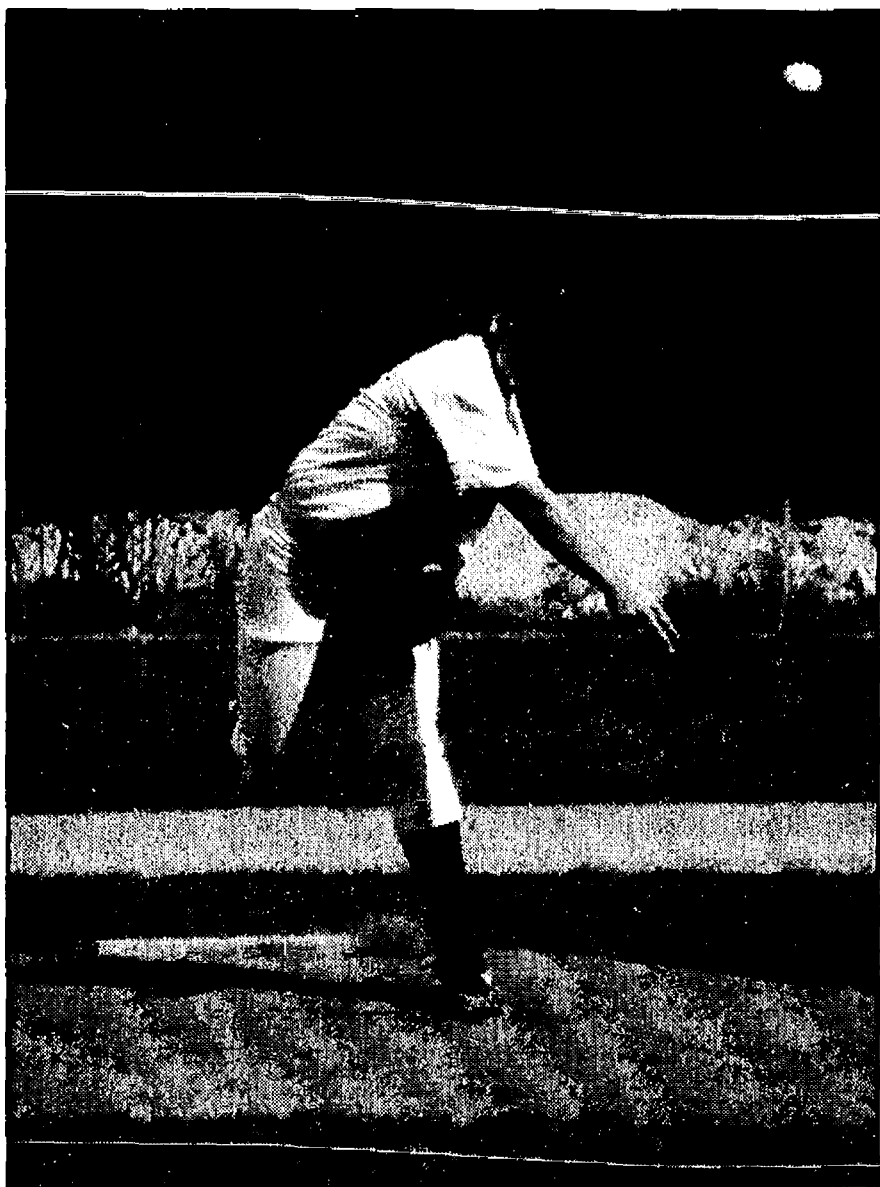
JV baseball team hosts Spartans of Pinconning



Matt Swope hits the ball for Grayling in last Thursday's JV baseball series vs. the Spartans of Pinconning at GHS.



Bobby Starks scores a run for Grayling's JV team in game one of the Pinconning series.



Jason Strohpaal pitches for the Vikings against Pinconning on Thursday.

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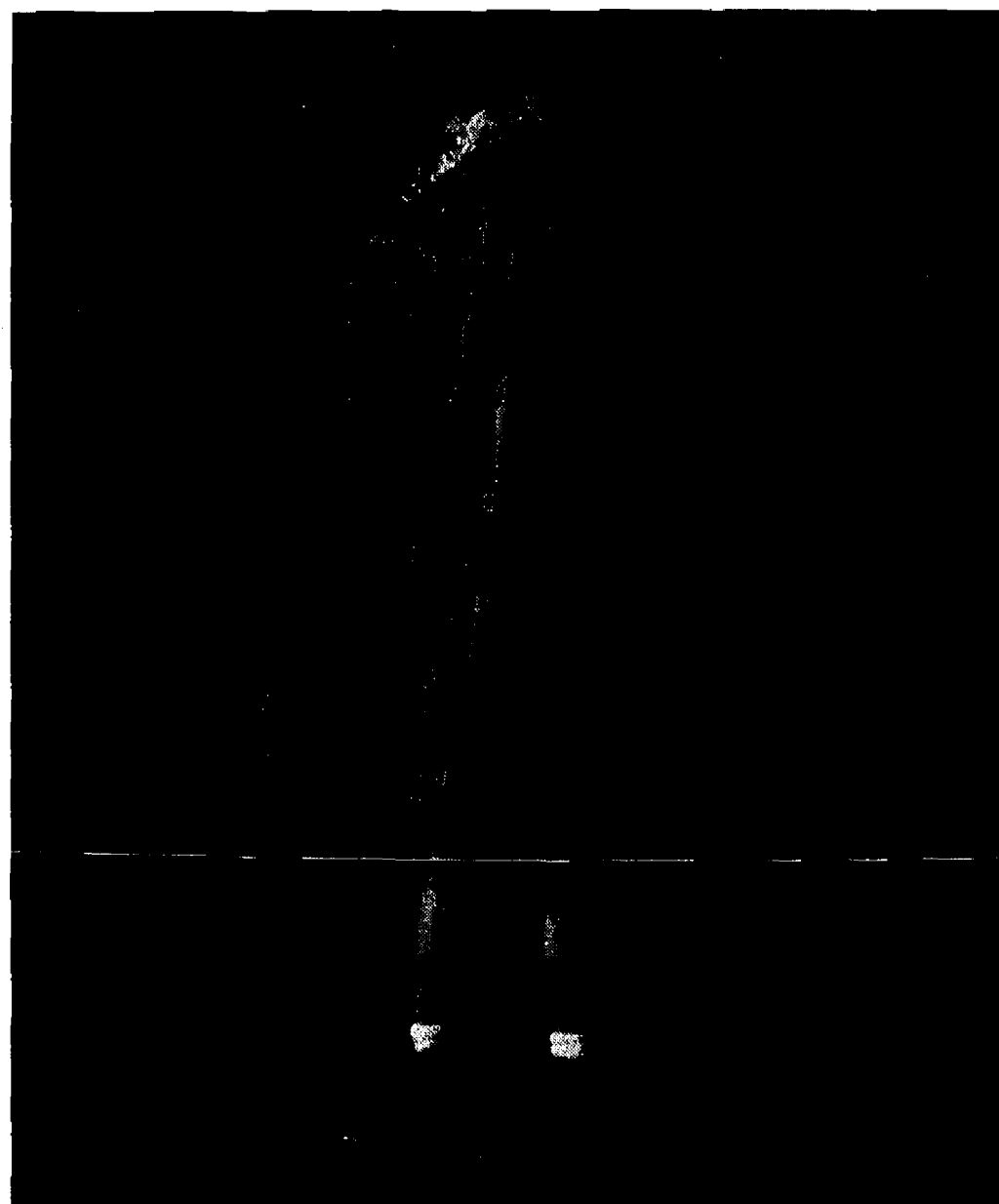
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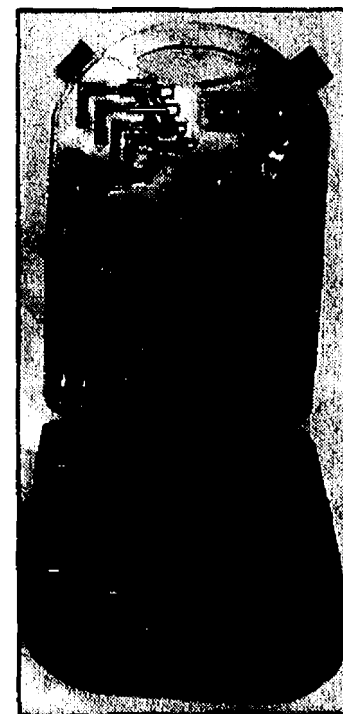


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Kirtland adds cross country

► College is looking for a coach to lead its latest addition

ROSCOMMON - Kirtland Community College is adding cross country to its growing list of sports, athletic director Glen Donahue recently announced. Competition begins in the

fall.

"We just finished our second season as a member of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association, and according to the terms of our agreement with the league it is a requirement that we add a fourth sport," Donahue said. "We already are participating in basketball for both men and women and we also offer a coed golf program."

Kirtland chose cross country primarily because Northern Michigan high schools are highly competitive in the sport and many talented young women and men an opportunity to compete at the next level.

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Submitted by Donna Thomson
Wednesday Ladies League

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Today was our first "fun day" and our golf committee had us play "Scotch Doubles." What a great time we all had.

First place was taken by the team of Evie Kent and Mary Jane Knibbs, with a 46.

In second place with a score of 49 was the team of Gloria Neilson and Dorothy Walker.

There was a three-way tie with a 51 between the teams of Ilene Hatfield and Jeanette Kitchen, the team of Sally McNamara and Shirley Parker and the Team of Nancy Hoffman and Donna Thomson.

In fourth place with a 53 was Jane Haller and Ann Latusek.

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Most of the content of each course reflects the same content taught in Kirtland Community College classes. Because of this, Kirtland provides articulation opportunities for each course. If a student successfully completes a course, the student is eligible to earn college and high school credit. Next year, recommended students will have the opportunity to dual-enroll directly in college classes for a second-year option. Students will gain high school and college credit for successful completion of the college classes.



The program of Automotive Technology is mainly a hands-on course designed to familiarize the student with automotive design, production, operation, testing, servicing such as safety practices, basic hand tools, technical reference materials, cooling systems, lubrication systems, charging and starting system parts, and performance of basic service procedures during the first semester. Second semester provides instruction in automotive brake system theory and service. Technician certification on the state and national levels are addressed. Automotive Service Excellence Certification is a possible employability outcome. Eligible students can receive college credit for Automotive Fundamentals and Automotive Braking Systems from Kirtland Community College.



Cosmetology I demonstrates all aspects an individual would need to have in a career as a cosmetologist/hair stylist. Hands-on work as well as bookwork will prepare the student for college-level cosmetology. See Cosmetology II for specific skills to be learned. Students who successfully complete the course earn approximately 350 hours toward State licensure and may be eligible for articulated college credit. Students participate in the annual COOR/KCC competition as well as field trips to a hair show and spa.



Students in Educational Occupations learn to promote children's healthy growth and development by providing a secure and loving environment filled with age-appropriate activities in areas like music, language and literacy, mathematical thinking, technology, arts, cooking and gross and fine motor skills. Students will participate in and sponsor activities at local schools. Upon completion students will have developed the portfolio components required to obtain the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential. Other professional certification preparation is available as well.



The Medical Occupations program introduces students to most health careers and encourages students to study the health field that interests them personally. All students are introduced to medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, health care systems, vital signs, infection control, first aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), medical ethics, and workplace safety. In addition, students work on an employment portfolio and employability skills including communication. Students are eligible for American Red Cross certification in CPR and Automated Electronic Defibrillator (AED).



Public Safety/Protective Services prepares students to pursue careers in police science, corrections, private security, fire science and emergency first aid/CPR/AED skills. Classroom work, field training, mentoring and hands-on experience are key components of the course. Students are exposed to an extensive review of the criminal justice and protective service systems. Students are eligible for a Michigan DNR certification as a wildfire fighter (United States and Canada), American Red Cross certification in CPR and AED.



Visual Imaging Technology is divided into three areas including photography, computer aided imagery, and drawing and illustration. In photography, the basic technical skills of photography as a creative medium for personal expression are taught. Computer aided imagery teaches two of the "industry standard" software programs, Quark Xpress and Adobe Photoshop. Students learn page layout from business cards to brochures. They will be able to not only sample and color correct pictures, but create posters exclusively in Photoshop and/or with the aid of Quark Xpress. The drawing sequence will stress the process of drawing as an imitation of nature through eye-hand coordination. Emphasis is on linear construction with concern for accurate proportion and positive-negative/figure-ground relationships. The basic black and white and color media illustration techniques with exploration in figurative drawing, media techniques, color and composition, spatial relationships, and conceptual progress of page layout will also be covered. In Visual Imaging Technology II, students receive advanced training in drawing and illustration, photography, and/or computer aided imagery. Animation, and comic book and children book illustration could be taught if related to student's career goal.



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The GHS varsity girls soccer team: (front, left to right) Michele Belcher, Ashley Bancroft, Monica Safin; (middle, left to right) Tracey Lewis, Beth Lucey, Megan Fekete, Jessica Pfaff, Chelsea Currinston, Kim Long, Elyse Zupko; (back, left to right) Jill Seager, Casey Mahaffy, Chelsea VanNuck, Coach John Haven, Emily Dunkley, Vicki King, Joni Welch.

Soccer team falls to Boyne 2-1

Grayling High School's varsity girls soccer team lost a close match against the visiting

Ramblers of Boyne City last Friday at GHS by a final score of 2-1.

Jill Seager, a freshman, scored a goal for Grayling in the match. Goalkeeper Ashley Bancroft posted 18 saves for the Vikings.

"Grayling played very well against a good Boyne City team," Coach John Haven said. "The entire team played with as much enthusiasm as I've seen. It showed with offensive pressure much of the game and Grayling scoring first on a break-away by Jill Seager up the middle. Other attacks by Seager, Chelsea VanNuck, and Kim Long were unsuccessful. Midfielder Casey Mahaffy helped keep the ball downfield and also had a shot on goal."

"The defense stayed strong throughout the game. Most of Boyne City's shots were not very strong thanks to the aggressive play of the back line. Emily Dunkley rarely let the ball get past her. Jessica Pfaff, Tracey Lewis, and Joni Welch completed the defensive shield," Coach Haven said.

Last Wednesday, a short-hand-

ed Grayling team lost to a strong West Branch Ogemaw Heights squad 10-0 at West Branch.

"With five starters out with injury or illness, Grayling played with no bench players available for substitution. I give these girls a lot of credit for doing the best they can and never giving up," said Coach Haven. "West Branch Ogemaw Heights is undefeated with 11 wins this season. Their speed and sharp passing throughout the roster shows why they're on top."

Bancroft had 28 saves in the Ogemaw game.

On Monday, the Vikings lost 6-0 at Pinconning.

Bancroft had 14 saves.



On offense, Long had two shots on goal for GHS. Monica Safin, VanNuck, Michele Belcher, and Megan Fekete each had one shot on goal.

"So far, this is our best offensive performance of the season. Although no goals were scored, I'm very proud of our forwards and midfielders for keeping the ball at that end of the field for much of the game," said Coach Haven. "Our defense was strong also, keeping the score 2-0 at the half. Casey Mahaffy and Tracey Lewis kept the ball out of the middle, easing the pressure on Ashley."

The Vikings play at Bay City John Glenn on Wednesday, May 21.

Days Inn

Vikings of the Week

Varsity Girls Soccer
Coach: John Haven

CASEY MAHAFFY & TRACEY LEWIS

Casey is strong at defense and midfield. She is always quick to the ball and consistently blocks shots and moves the ball out of the defensive end. Tracey, a defender, keeps the ball away from the goal with solid consistency. She seems to have more energy toward the end of the game.

LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 28th day of April 2003 Grayling, Michigan

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Wyman at 7:30 PM.

II. Members Present: Wyman, Wellman, Moshier, Hayes, Palmer

Members Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Michele Moshier, City Clerk, Caleb Casey, Carl Lehto, Lynn McConnell, Doug Meroney, Gerald Respecki, Carolyn DiPonio, Sharon Klinger, John Dobry, Nancy Hunt, Steve Langseth.

III. Public Hearing.

A. Mayor Wyman opened the public hearing regarding the 2003-2004 Budget at 7:33 PM. Mr. Respecki inquired about the budget allowing for the City Patrol car being out at Danish Landing Road. There being no other questions or comments regarding the 2003-2004 budget, Mayor Wyman closed the public hearing at 7:35 PM.

B. Mayor Wyman opened the public hearing regarding Ordinance #25 Section 10, special rates subsection at 7:35 PM. Mr. Respecki thinks that the City should look into using sewer meters instead of water meters. There being no other questions or comments regarding the proposed ordinance change, Mayor Wyman closed the public hearing at 7:43 PM.

03-88

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wyman to amend Ordinance #25, Section 10, Special Rates subsection to read as follows:

The rate for all nonmetered sewer customers shall be set at \$100.00 per quarter beginning June 1, 2003. Thereafter, the rate is subject to adjustment annually by resolution of the City Council.

The City will provide the water meter and meter horns for any customers who choose to have their sewer consumption charged by actual usage. The customer will be responsible for connecting the meter to the water source. At the option of the customer, the City will provide that connection at a cost of \$100.00, if that request is made before June 1, 2003. The fee will be added to the water bill and is payable to the City by June 1, 2004. After that date, the fee would be spread to the property tax for that parcel.

Roll Call Vote: Hayes: Aye, Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Nay, Wyman: Aye,

Wellman: Nay, motion carried.

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda.

A. Training Seminar, "Small Town Success Strategies"

B. Thank You Letter to Terry McGregor

C. MML Annual Convention

D. VFW Proclamation

E. NEMCOG Minutes from March 20, 2003

F. Crawford County Transportation Authority Resolution

G. Letter from Chief Schreiner-Re: Nuisance Ordinance

H. Letter from Parks Committee

I. Bid Tabulation for Fire Department 03-89

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Moshier that the Consent Agenda be approved as amended; moving item "J" Letter from Steve Langseth to New Business. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

V. Approval of Council Minutes 03-90

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes that the minutes of the meeting of April 14, 2003 be approved as amended. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

VI. Old Business.

A. The City Clerk has received one application for the vacancy on the Parks Committee. Council would like to run the ad one more week in the *Avalanche*. 03-91

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to appoint Sharon Davis to the Parks Committee. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

The City Council would like City Manager, Allen Lowe, to let the job of repairing the slab at the Pavilion out for bids.

03-92

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Moshier to accept the 3-year contract from Kenmark, Inc. for \$3,984 and increasing an additional \$500 to include an additional 4 Decorations for City Boulevard. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

B. City Manager, Allen Lowe, has contacted all three local Realtors to have a Market Analysis done on the Old City Hall Building. Re/MAX and Coldwell Banker are interested in doing a Market Analysis; and Century 21 has declined. Allen will have more information when the Market Analysis is finished.

C. Integrity Construction Services provided a Building Update report.

D. Citizens Bank is o.k. with financing half of what their original proposal was for and with the same terms and rate. The bank has made arrangements with Terry McGregor, City Treasurer for trans-

ferring the money.

E. The Council would like Larry Hunter, City Assessor, to give the assessed values of the proposed options are that Fred Fedak and Susan Hayes have presented to them for the Shoppenagons Parking lot.

A suggestion was made by Mr. Respecki to look into using angle parking along Peninsular.

F. Planning Training Session has been scheduled for June 2, 2003 at 6:30 PM for the City Council, Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. The training will take place in the New City Chambers at the New City Hall.

G. Steve Langseth presented a letter from Brad Butcher of Butcher & Associates regarding the bid opening for the New Fire Station.

03-93

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Wellman to delegate the authority to the City Manager, Allen Lowe to award the contract upon recommendation of the Fire Chief, Duane Brooks and Butcher & Associates. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Industrial Park Update by Steve Langseth showed the conclusion of the Planning Grant for the Industrial Park. Allen will contact MEDC to inquire of them attending a City Council meeting to educate everyone on their process and standards.

H. Mary Ann Ferrigan sent a letter to the City Council requesting that they address the issue of the encroachment of her building at 108 Burton Court onto the property that the City recently purchased from the McNamara's. She is also interested in purchasing an additional portion for a fair price. The Council would like to get some clarifications and then bring back to the next meeting.

VII. New Business.

A. Resolution-Rasmus Hanson Day WHEREAS, on May 2, 1913 the Hanson Military Reservation came into being by passage of an Act of the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hanson donated approximately 14,000 acres of land on the south side of Lake Margrethe, then known as Portage Lake, renamed in honor of Mrs. Margrethe Hanson, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hanson's actions created what was first known as Camp Ferris, in honor of then Governor Woodbridge Ferris and has led to one of the finest military centers, the current Camp Grayling, and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2003, Camp Grayling will conduct a program in recognition of the 90th Anniversary of Camp Grayling.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Grayling City Council proclaim May 4th, 2003 as RASMUS HANSON DAY in the City of Grayling and urge all citizens to join them in saluting Camp Grayling for a job well done.

03-94

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Wellman that they accept the Resolution proclaiming May 4, 2003 as Rasmus Hanson Day. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

B. The MSU Extension is bringing a Community Assessment Team of May 8th and 9th. They will visit many sites in the area and hold a public hearing on Thursday evening and issue a report of Friday.

C. The County, Townships, City, Road Commission, Camp Grayling and the Transit Authority are looking into a countywide mapping system. Carl Lehto from Gosling Czubak is going to take care of arranging the aerial photos.

03-95

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Hayes to extend the meeting past 9:30 PM. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

D. Over a year ago the Council looked at charging for fire runs. Grayling Township is now going to start charging for each fire run. Most insurance companies pay \$500 per run. The Council would like this brought back at the next meeting in a resolution form to consider.

E. The Council has adopted the BOCA Fire Code for the City. The International Fire Code has replaced that code. The Council would like for Duane or one of his designees to attend the next meeting to educate them on the new code.

F. Letter from Steve Langseth requesting an \$1,890 for additional scope of work for the City Hall site design.

03-96

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Wellman to approve the \$700 for Wetland Assessment and the \$850 for Sight Lighting. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

NOTE: Citizens who wish to speak were taken before the budget work session so that anyone wishing to leave after they spoke could do so, seeing the meeting was running so late.

G. During the Budget Work Session the option of leasing new equipment as opposed to purchasing was brought up to have the City Manager, Allen Lowe look into.

VIII. Citizens who wish to speak.

•Mr. Respecki voiced his concerns with a problem that he feels that the City has with one of their officer's violating the rights of a minor in public and has requested that this officer be terminated.

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Council was unaware of any of the accusations and have asked that the City Manager, Allen Lowe investigate this further.

Nancy Hunt planned on doing something with the parking lot behind Spikes and the Abstract office.

•Nancy Hunt inquired as to whether or not the City had an ordinance against kids playing in the street. A co-worker felt as though her kids were being harassed about playing in the street.

•Nancy Hunt inquired as to whether or not the planters for GUDA have been ordered. Doug Meroney has the planters ordered.

•Nancy Hunt also inquired whether there has been any more discussion on the DDA. She was informed that the waiting period is not up yet.

•Doug Meroney thanked the City for the street sign post at the corner of Michigan Avenue and James Street.

Doug Meroney also commented on the planters for downtown.

•Doug Meroney wanted to know the progress of the asphalt repair for the Business Loop. He inquired whether the repairs would be done and lines painted before the Memorial Day weekend.

Lynne McConnell inquired on Young Street in the Industrial Park.

IX. Reports from ZBA, Planning Committee, Parks Committee

ZBA:

•None.

Planning Commission:

•D&K Investments submitted a site plan.

•Doorways of the North submitted a site plan.

•In the process of creating handout packets that would be pre-made for each zoning district which would give the requirements for site plan review.

•Will have the final reading of the sign ordinance at the next meeting before submitting to the council for a public hearing.

Parks Committee:

•None.

X. Reports from Manager & Council Members.

Manager Report:

•Met with Waste Management about doing test areas using the totes. The City and Waste Management will send a joint letter notifying users that they have been chosen to test the totes. A questionnaire will also get sent to everyone in the test area evaluating the ease of use and the convenience or inconvenience.

Council Member Reports:

•Palmer inquired about the maintenance program in the City Streets.

•Moshier stated that the Industrial Park Committee met on Saturday, April 26 with D & K Investments.

03-97

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to continue Young Street an additional 770 feet with the gravel road, later updating to tar and chips with a cul-de-sac at the end. Roll Call Vote: Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Aye, Wyman: Nay, Wellman, Aye, Hayes: Aye, motion carried.

03-98

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to authorize the City Manager to pursue the clean up and spend what is necessary for cleaning up the additional contaminants found at the Grayling Reel site. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

•Hayes reported that he received a verbal value in the form of a Market Analysis from an appraiser, Ron Fiebelkorn, on the pole barn at the Grayling Reel property of \$54,000.

•Wellman wanted to know if the clean up was done at the pole barn and thinks that the council should get a price in mind that they want for the property.

03-99

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to put the Grayling Reel pole barn property for sale by bid in the newspaper with the right to refuse all bids. Bids to be due at the City Clerk's office on May 23, 2003 at 2:00 PM. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

•Wyman inquired about how many bids we have received for the Assessor's position and when the Council needed to take action. City Manager Lowe informed him that we have received 3 or 4 proposals and that the Council did not need to take any action because according to the City Charter the City Manager hires the Assessor.

•Wyman expressed concern with Doug Meroney's expectations on the road on the business loop and suggested that maybe he could attend the meeting with Leonard Graf and Rieth Riley.

•Wyman inquired about the letter to Wendy McIntire. Allen said her email address did not work and he has not heard back from the letter that he sent.

•Wyman also expressed concern with the letter from Chief Schreiner regarding the nuisance ordinance.

XI. Adjournment

03-100

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 PM.

Michele A. Moshier

City Clerk

LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN DISTRICT COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY FAILURE TO APPEAR

200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738

Case No. 03-1619-SC-1
Value Corral-Plaintiff
2370 S. Otsego Ave
Gaylord, MI 49735
989-732-3498

vs
Kimberley Ann Sitarski-Defendant
You are being sued.

Appearance date: 6-9-03
Appearance time: 8:30 am
Place: District Courtroom
200 W. Michigan Ave
Grayling, MI 49738
989-344-3800

Failure to appear by defendant in the civil case may result in a default judgment being entered.

If you intend to employ a lawyer/s/he should be notified of the date at once.

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN, OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice, sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service and cost of publication of this notice. The service and publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND: State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Parcel 1 Part of the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Sec 28 T25N R2W South Branch Twp, Comm at the E 1/4 cor of said Sec 28 th N 89d 18m W along the E & W 1/4 line 1646 ft to the pob th cont N 89d 18m W 329.20 ft th N 0d 04m 07s E 1329.24 ft to the N 1/8 line th S 89d 21m 20s E along the N 1/8 line 328.92 ft th S 0d 03m 26s W 1329.56 ft to the pob containing 10.04 ac. Also subject to & use of 66 ft rd & utility easement as recorded in L170 P120 & 121. Amount paid: 1995 taxes \$234.15, 1996 taxes \$242.33.

Amount necessary to redeem \$714.72 plus the fee of the sheriff, and the cost of legal publication.

Ronald and Joann McClain, 39463 Edgevale, Sterling Heights, MI 48313.
To: Lewis Sykes, last known address 16159 Sorrento, Detroit, MI 48235, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such land or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County, and to their heirs and assigns.

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6628-DE
Estate of Roxey Michener, Deceased,
Date of birth: 04/05/22
NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Roxey Michener, who lived at 5336 W. Six Mile Road, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died January 20, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Judith Clark, c/o David R. Sabin, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: May 8, 2003
David R. Sabin P19822
115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, MI 49738
Judith Clark
1043 Markham Avenue
Fling, MI 48507

NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED:

To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon, the Lands herein described, and to Thelma S. Cochran and to her unknown Husband, owners of last recorded title according to the Crawford County records, and to William D. Perry, Karen E. Perry, Marry Perry and their Unknown Spouses claiming ownership interest according to Crawford County records, and to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act in their own behalf.

TAKE NOTICE: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50 percent in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or

cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an Action, without other additional cost of charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Maple Forest, Town 28 North Range 3 West, Section 16, Parcel C: Comm at N 1/4 cor of Sec 16, th N 89deg 38min W 814.46 ft. to POB, the S 0deg 18min E 671 ft, th N 89deg 38min W 165 ft, the N 0deg 19min west 671 ft, th S 89deg 38min East 165 ft to POB. 2.54 acres 100% Parcel Number: 20-020-016-005-070-00 100%

DEED NUMBER: 516
TAX FOR YEAR: 1996
AMOUNT PAID: \$136.47
AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM: \$204.71 (plus sheriff fees)

(signed) Farm and Forest Enterprises DBA of Collin K Burnett, P.O. Box 784, Saline, MI 48176

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6592DE
Estate of Clarence Joseph Sampier, Deceased, Date of birth: 04/28/18
NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Clarence Joseph Sampier, who lived at 310 Golfview Drive, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died January 25, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Barbara Swope, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Kyle T. Legel P59523
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Brooklyn, MI 49230
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Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leesa K. Patterson, a single woman (original mortgagors) to Homestead USA, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 7, 1999, and recorded on May 17, 1999 in Liber 481 on Page 484 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, as assignee by an assignment dated May 17, 1999, which was recorded on July 23, 1999, in Liber 486 on Page 459 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Three Thousand Fifty-Six and 98/100 dollars (\$33,056.98), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in

said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 25, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 5, Block 24, Roffee's Addition to the Village (Now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 22, 2003
For information, please call:
Team S (248) 593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File #200319205
Team S

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Arthur Hurst and Madeline Marie Chase, as joint tenants (original mortgagors) to Centex Home Equity Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 2, 2001, and recorded on February 12, 2001 in Liber 528 on Page 484 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Four and 84/100 dollars (\$14,954.84), including interest at 14.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel: A parcel of Land located in the West ten acres of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, being further described as follows: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West along the North line of said Section 1155.66 feet for a point of beginning; Thence continuing North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West 163.63 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds East along the West 1/8 line 443.62 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 17 seconds East 163.63 feet; thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds West 443.70 feet to the point of beginning. Be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

OPEN POSITION ZONING ADMINISTRATOR BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

Beaver Creek Township is seeking an individual to fill our newly created position of Zoning Administrator, to take effect July 1, 2003. This is a part time position, approximately 20 hours per week. The individual we are seeking must work well with the public, preferably have some zoning/code enforcement experience, Builders and/or Assessing License helpful and have good computer/record keeping skills. Wages negotiable. Please submit resume by May 30, 2003 at 2:00 PM, to: Beaver Creek Township, Sharon Hartman, Clerk, 8888 S. Grayling Road, Grayling, MI 49738.

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Grayling Township meeting room at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, to take public comment on the adoption of a new zoning ordinance, zoning map, and schedule of township fees.

If adopted by the Planning Commission, the new ordinance must then be sent to the Crawford County Planning Commission for their comments before final consideration by the Grayling Township Board of Trustees. Notice must then be published in the Crawford County Avalanche within fifteen days of final adoption. The new ordinance will take effect upon expiration of seven days after publication.

Copies of the new ordinance, map, and fee schedule, are available for reading at the township hall during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on Monday, May 26, for the Memorial Day observation.

The public is encouraged to attend.

Terry R. Wright
Supervisor

dance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2003
For information, please call:
Team F (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File #200226648
Team F

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald B. Graham, an unmarried man (original mortgagors) to Rescue Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 16, 2000, and recorded on June 1, 2000 in Liber 509 on Page 51 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Citifinancial Mortgage Company, Assignee by an assignment dated March 24, 2003, which was recorded on April 16, 2003, in Liber 628 on Page 581, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Two and 04/100 dollars (\$65,462.04), including interest at 10.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 7, Block 10, Original Plat of The Village (now city) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003
For information, please call:
Team M (248) 593-1306
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File #200315652

Foreclosure Notice

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by James M. Adams and Darlene J. Adams married of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Fifth Third Bank, successor-in-interest by merger to Old Kent Bank dated the 20th day of June, A.D. 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 30th day of June, A.D. 1997, in Liber 432 of Crawford Records, on page 488, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$23,290.36 (Twenty three thousand, Two hundred ninety dollars and thirty six cents) including interest there on at 8.00% (eight point zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of June, A.D., 2003, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The West 1/2 of Lot 46, McNamara's Valley No. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Tax ID: 20-064-541-000-090-01
The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned, in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.
Dated: May 15, 2003
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co.
L.P.A.
Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co.
L.P.A.
756 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820
Troy, Michigan 48064
WWR02873412

Mortgage Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian Calkins and Kim

Calkins, husband and wife to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2000, and recorded on November 7, 2000, in Liber 522, on page 346 Crawford County Records Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy three thousand three hundred forty four and 57/100 Dollars (\$73,344.57), including interest at 9.990% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 27, Skyline Heights, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of plats, page 32, Crawford County Records.

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 4, Town 31 North, Range 7 West, thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds. East 657.09 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 87 degrees 14 minutes 2 seconds West 330.00 feet; thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds East 260.00 feet, thence South 88 degrees 11 minutes 58 seconds, East 330.05 feet to the East line of said Section 4, thence South 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds, West along the East line of said Section 4 to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003
Attorney For: Mortgagee
Robert A. Tremain
& Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616
For information please call:
(248) 540-7701
Bank One, N.A.
Mortgagee

Mortgage Sale

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify us at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis M. Bausman and Vicki L. Bausman, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Commonpoint Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated the 16th day of September, 1997 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 26th day of September, 1997 in Liber 438 of Crawford County Records, page 553, said Mortgage having been assigned to The Bank of New York, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated, as of November 30, 1997, Series 1997-D on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One & 91/100 (\$89,561.91), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of June, 2003 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.2500% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Situated in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford and in the Township of South Branch.

Being Lot 69, and part of Lots 60, 61 and 62 of the recorded plat of River Forest, being part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, of Section 21, part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28, and part of the North 1/2 of section 29, all in T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of lot 69 for a point of beginning; Thence North 33 degrees 46' West 167.00 feet; Thence North 24, degrees 09' West 82.2 feet; Thence North 50 degrees 18' East 200.00 feet; Thence North 60 degrees 11' East 100.00 feet; Thence South 17 degrees 15' East 37.6 feet; Thence South 32 degrees 40' East 204.74 feet; Thence South 43 degrees 28' West 60.2 feet; Thence 190.5 feet along the Arc of a 9 degree 28' 30" curve to the right, the long chord of which bears South 52 degrees 29' 30" West 189.71 feet; Thence South 61 degrees 31' West 50.0 feet to the point of beginning.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: May 8, 2003
Fabrizio & Brook, P.C.
Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)
Attorney for the Bank of New York
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470
Troy, MI 48064

CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that I have scheduled a Zoning Board of Appeals Public hearing concerning a variance request from 708 Chestnut Street (20-070-182-013-005-00) to build a detached accessory building 1,280 square feet, which exceeds the maximum allowable ground floor area of 720 square feet.

The Public Hearing to consider this matter is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2003 at the Grayling City Office, 1020 City Boulevard. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend said Public Hearing and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case(s) at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 1020 City Boulevard, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele Moshier
City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR LETTER OF INTEREST FROM INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE CRAWFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

All citizens are advised that the Crawford County Transportation Authority (CCTA) is soliciting letters of interest from individuals willing to serve on its Board of Directors.

Terms of office for members of the Board of Directors are Six (6) years. There is currently one seat on the Board of Directors the term of office for which will expire on June 30, 2003. Term limitations do not exist for members of the CCTA Board of Directors, and the individual currently holding that office, Ms. Ruth O'Mara, is eligible for reappointment.

The Board of Directors meets monthly. A primary responsibility of the Board of Directors is to establish the policies governing the business, operations, property and affairs of the CCTA. The Board of Directors additionally receives and reviews management reports for the purpose of monitoring policy compliance and program effectiveness.

All Board Members shall be over the age of eighteen (18) years, with no prior felony convictions.

In order for proposals to be considered they must be either post marked no later than Friday, May 23, 2003 or submitted directly to the CCTA administrative offices in a clearly labeled sealed envelope by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 26, 2003.

Questions or comments regarding this request for proposals are to be directed to Mr. David Frederick, Executive Director, Crawford County Transportation Authority whose office is located at the following address, or who may be reached at the following telephone number.

Crawford County Transportation Authority
4276 West North Down River Road
Grayling, Michigan 49738
(989) 348-8215

"The Crawford County Transportation Authority is an Equal Opportunity Employer"

FACTS AND FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
May 22, 1980

Grayling Mercy Hospital began moving patients into the hospital's new addition. Plans were also announced which reveal possible use of the new Emergency Room and Radiology Department facilities soon. The hospital's new addition is part of an \$8 million building and renovation program begun in the summer of 1978.

This Saturday, Robert C. Wilson, author of "Crooked Tree," will be at the Grayling Mercantile Company. Wilson is the great grandson of Nels Michelson, former Grayling lumberman, who donated the Michelson Memorial Methodist Church.

Marguerite Clark, Timberview Village resident, was named Timberview Mother of the Year. Mrs. Clark, now 80 years old, had been a fifty year resident of Roscommon.

The Grayling Middle School Girls Track Team is the new Michigan Huron Shores Girls Track Team champions. The victory was the first MSH-conference championship in Middle School history.

The Viking baseball club won a twinbill against Onaway last week. In the first game, Jerry Lucksted went the distance to record his third triumph. The second game was a victory, with

a score of 6-4 behind Perry D'Amour's 5 hitter.

Over 300 Guardsman and women from Camp Grayling's Headquarters, the 1438th Engineer Detachment and the 1071st Maintenance Company are attending Annual Training (AT) at Camp Grayling. The units provide the Camp a multitude of services both during the year on Inactive Duty Training and during AT.

Six Viking runners will compete in the Class C State Finals at Cassopolis. Qualifiers include Beth Jones, Lisa Radebaugh, Jean Stevens, Jill Headlee, Karen Hanson, and Shelly Peterson.

A two weekend football training camp was concluded Saturday for Middle School 7th and 8th graders, conducted by the Grayling High School staff. Head football coach, Bill Klinger said the 55 students who attended were taught basic football fundamentals and conditioning.

The Parks and Recreation Commission has been notified by the Northeast Manpower Consortium of which Crawford County is a member, that it has been awarded financial grants totaling approximately \$46,000 for special projects.

On Saturday, May 10, 18 students from Grayling Elementary School participated in the Area 4 Summer Special Olympics held in West Branch. Participants include Tracy Reisinger,

Michelle Hatley, Tommy Dean, Bill Reichelderfer, Steve Belcher, David Argue, Pepper Gorten, Chris Wylie, Chris Jenney, Robbie Montgomery, Jeff Reichelderfer, Joey Kriener, Jeff Wrona, Michelle Mitchell, Bobby Rollins, Stephanie McMurry, Angie Piehl and Rita Gammon.

The Grayling Area Jaycees announced that the "Name the Festival Contest" was won by Stacy Robinson. The name of the festival will be "The AuSable Canoe Carnival."

46 Years Ago
May 23, 1957

An excellent crowd of proud parents turned out to see their children perform in the First Annual May Festival presented by the students of the first six grades of Grayling Public School, under the sponsorship of the PTA.

The Grayling High Viking track team travels to Charlevoix for the last track meet of the season. Grayling sent six men to the State Meet after they qualified at the Regional Meet the previous Saturday.

A white fox, possibly an albino, was reported seen recently a few miles north of Grayling in Crawford County.

The first donation of this season to the Grayling Memorial Recreation Area was received from Mrs. Ella Hanson Wilcox.

Mac's Drug Store will have its Grand Opening Sale this Friday and Saturday. The store has been completely refurbished, redecorated and restyled. Free plastic aprons for the ladies and cigars

for the men.

Showing this week at the theatre is "Three Brave Men" with Frank Lovejoy and Ray Milland.

69 Years Ago
May 25, 1934

Very effective were the decorations in the Seniors' colors - blue and silver, which turned the school gym into a lovely ball room. The occasion was the annual Junior Prom. Miss Clara Atkinson and Robert Sorenson led the grand march, closely followed by Emil Kraus, representing the seniors, with his sister, Yvonne.

Portraits of this year's graduating class are on display in the window of the Connine Grocery Store. The store is sponsoring a popular vote contest rewarding the senior holding the most votes with a \$20 cash prize.

Mrs. Lois Klein, a resident in the eastern part of Grayling Township, purchased several milk cows from Peter Reuter, thus increasing her dairy herd.

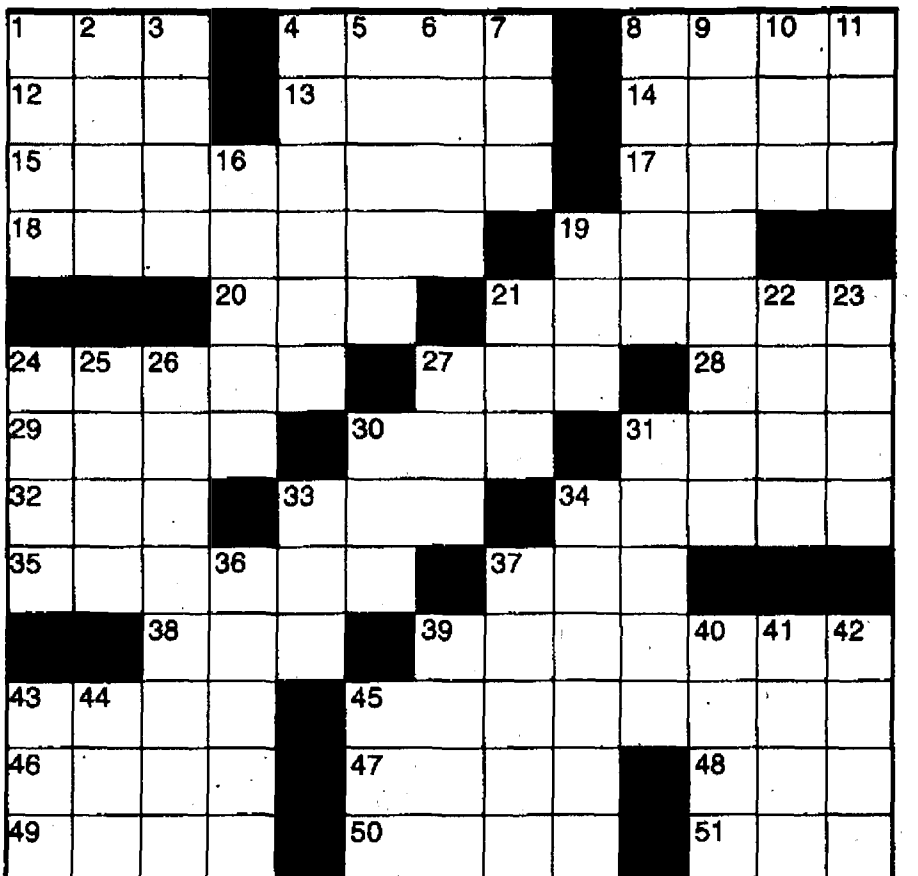
In a recent washing machine campaign sponsored by the Michigan Public Service Company, Don Reynolds, local manager, won first prize by selling the most washing machines during April.

92 Years Ago
May 25, 1911

Four inches of rain fell here Sunday within two hours and half as much on Monday, with terrific thunder and lightning.

The fishing season is open and in full blast. Quite a number at the Douglas House in Lovells. They all say the fish are plentiful.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. PC maker
4. Stationary quantity
8. Unspoiled
12. _____hard
13. Humorous author Bombeck
14. Animal pelt
15. Trapped
17. Caddie's kin
18. Clings
19. Faulkner's _____ Lay Dying (2 wds.)
20. Mon.-Fri. midpoint
21. Short snooze
24. Steam
27. Farm sound
28. I, to Claudius
29. Yankee Doodle's transport
30. 60 secs.
31. AOL subscriber
32. _____ it out!
33. Lump
34. Item of value
35. Bee abode
37. "Man _____ Thousand Faces" (2 wds.)
38. Sapless
39. Raw deal
43. Grain locale
45. Brit's solo card game
46. Mat or mate starter
47. Songwriter Wilder
48. French refusal
49. End for tip or pun
50. Turner or Sinatra
51. Vane dir.

DOWN

1. Thought
2. Do a bookmaking job
3. Gauze
4. Brought up
5. Goofed
6. Home of the Cyclones
7. "_____ About You"
8. 1990 Swayze title role
9. Greasy quality
10. "The _____ Couple"
11. WWII convoy ships
16. Just recently
19. Battery size
21. Prince Albert's home?
22. Critic James
23. Mariner's asylum
24. Animal-adoption agcy.
25. Clever accomplishment
26. Counteractive dose
27. Wife or life beginning
30. Nichols' partner
31. Customary practice
33. Sardonic
34. Algeria's locale
36. Passion
37. Of a cereal grain
39. Hope's "Road To _____"
40. Prince Charles' sister
41. Church image
42. Hawaiian bird
43. "The Subject _____ Roses"
44. Means of escape
45. Singer Boone

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



Caribbean Chicken Salad with Peanuts

- 1 head romaine lettuce, torn into pieces
- 1/2 cup sliced green onions
- 1 cup shredded grilled chicken
- 1 papaya, halved, seeded, peeled and sliced
- 1 cup raspberries
- 1/2 cup peanuts

Chutney Dressing

In blender or food processor combine 1/2 cup each peanuts and mayonnaise, 1/4 cup chutney, 2 tablespoons each sugar and raspberry vinegar, and 1 teaspoon curry

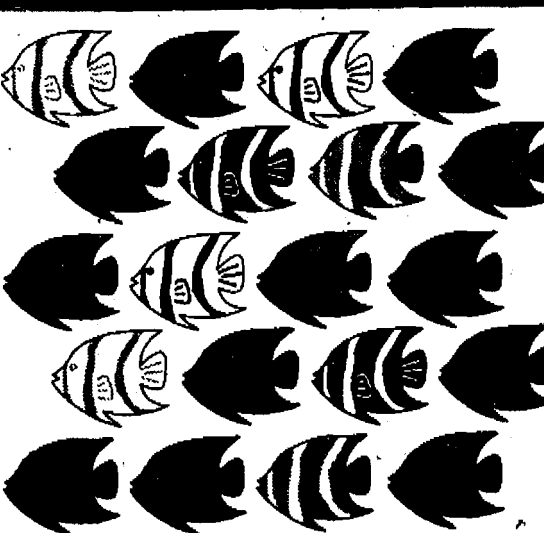
powder; blend until smooth. Makes about 1 1/3 cups of dressing.

Prepare Chutney Dressing and set aside. Toss lettuce with green onions and divide among 4 serving plates. Top with chicken, papaya slices and raspberries; sprinkle with peanuts. Serve with Chutney Dressing. Yield: 4 servings (1/4 salad per serving).

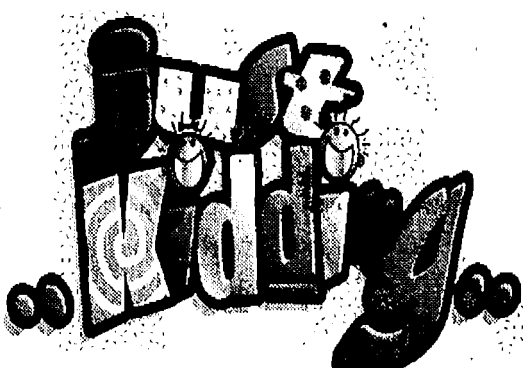
Nutrition Per Serving: 605 cal; 38 g carb; 26 g pro; 43 g fat; 43 mg chol; 9 g fiber; 221 mg sod. (Source: USDA Handbook #8.)

For more recipes, visit the National Peanut Board web site at www.nationalpeanutboard.org.

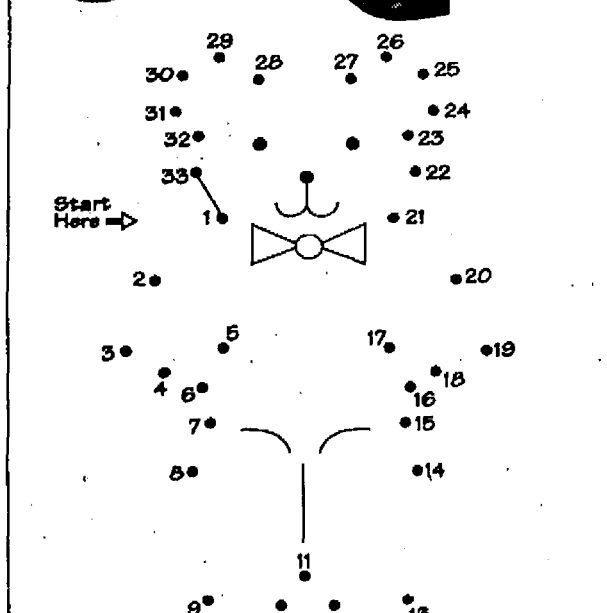
Hide And Seek



1. How many gray fish with black stripes can you find?
2. How many black fish with white stripes?
3. How many white fish with any color stripes?
4. Find one fish with no stripes.
5. How many fish are in the school?



DID YOU KNOW
The pound sign (#) is called an **anoctothorpe**.



Adopt a Pet



Patsy is a 4 month old Husky mix puppy. She is spayed and has all her shots. As you can see, she is a very pretty little girl.

Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal_director@yahoo.com.

Winter was especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, and Wild Animal-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the Avalanche for either item.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 3 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

HOROSCOPES

For the Week of May 22, 2003



December 22-January 19
You've been working too many hours. It's time to cut back on your workload and catch up on all of things you've been putting off.



March 21-April 19
Asking others for help has never been easy, but this week, you'll have to swallow your pride and reach out. A deadline is approaching and you need all of the help you can get.



June 22-July 22
You will finally reap the benefits of a promise you made good on in the past. Enjoy your good fortune and don't forget to share it with others.



September 23-October 22
You're near the edge. Calm down and participate in an activity that will alleviate your stress. Then look for a more permanent solution.



January 20-February 18
It won't be easy, but with a little work, you can turn a situation around at home. Talk to everyone involved and take the steps necessary to relieve the tension and resolve the problem.



April 20-May 20
As a special date approaches, you need to decide how to celebrate it. Will you invite some friends over for a dinner party or spend the day alone? Make up your mind soon before everyone makes other plans.



July 23-August 22
You're in a funk because a good friend is leaving town. Stop thinking about yourself and do what you can to help make your friend's transition smooth.



October 23-November 21
You are invited to the party of the year! Toss aside your reservations about the host and join in the festivities. You deserve some fun.



January 19-February 20
Now is not the time to be pushy. What has happened at home is over and done with. Leave it alone. A coworker returns a favor.



May 21-June 21
You may walk in on a private conversation and hear something you shouldn't. Don't spread the news! It's not yours to tell.



August 23-September 22
You realize that a relative may have been misjudged. Speak up and defend them! If the situation were reversed, they would do the same for you.



November 22-December 21
Friendships can be quite complicated. One of yours, however, seems to be more difficult than it's worth. Before you sever all ties, consider what life would be like without you.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week

Date	H	L	Rain
5/14	62	34	
5/15	73	35	
5/16	66	37	
5/17	58	39	
5/18	64	40	
5/19	74	46	
5/20	76	48	

Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
High 62	High 67	High 67	High 63	High 66	High 66
Low 38	Low 41	Low 44	Low 43	Low 44	Low 46
Mostly Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy

Kim's Magic Nails

New Owner from Gaylord
Scott Nguyen

Professional
Nail Care for
Ladies &
Gentlemen



Make an Appointment •
Walk-ins available
989-344-2321
Mon. - Fri. 10-6 • Sat. 10-4
• Closed Sun.
308 N. James St.
Suite #2, Grayling



Sylvester's and Kerstock Builders line up for pre-game on Opening Day.

Little League opens 2003 season

Players, parents, coaches, and volunteers of Grayling Little League (GLL) endured blustery winds, unseasonably low temperatures, and damp dugouts to play the first games of the season on Monday, May 12.

The 2003 season was initiated by a Minor League game between Weyerhaeuser and Mercy Hospital on McNamara Field. The opener "was a barn-burner, with the kids making solid contact with the ball," Weyerhaeuser coach Brian Burrell said.

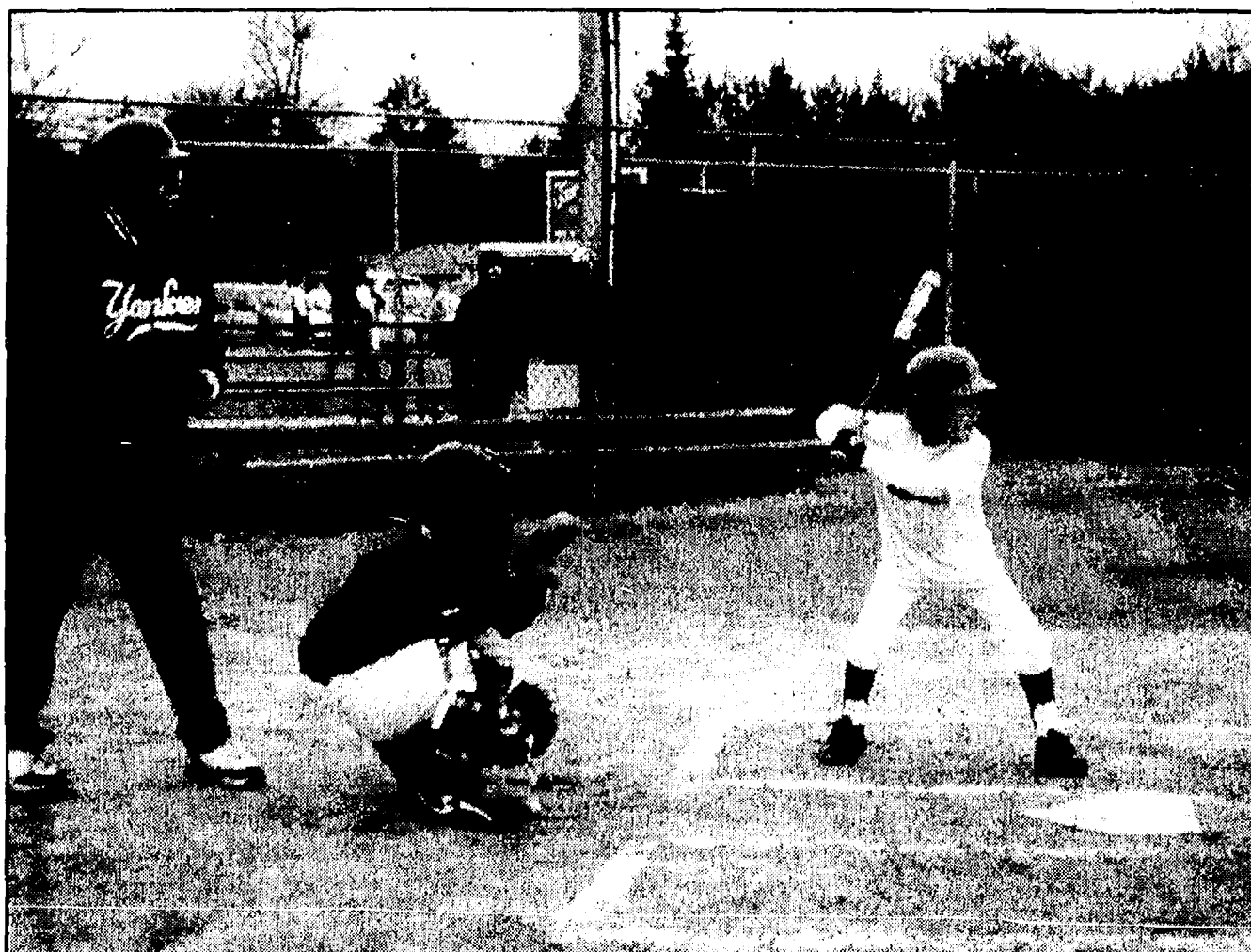
The Intermediate League christened Millikin Field with a showdown between Sylvester's and Kernstock Builders. "The kids were so excited to get out here, to play or postpone the game was not a tough decision to make once we saw how much they wanted to play," said Kernstock Builders coach Rob Aubry.

The coaches agreed that the pitching machines would not tolerate the damp weather and the teams opted to coach-pitch in place of the machines.

"Overall, it was a memorable opener," league officials said.

By Tuesday, when the season opened at McIsaac Field with a Major League game between Grayling Car Care and AJD Forest Products, the weather had improved enough to make the evening much more enjoyable.

Grayling Little League currently has 10 teams playing in



Photos courtesy of Grayling Little League

Luke Schneider bats on Opening Day of Grayling Little League's 2003 season. Catcher is Steven Enos, and umpire is Doug Wilson.



Little League parents and fans (left to right) Amber Meech, Sherri Aubry, and Shelly Tobin bundle up to fend off Opening Day elements.

three divisions. Junior League and Girls Softball will start shortly and they will add five more teams to the schedule.

In other Little League news, the GLL Board recently announced that Grayling will host an Intermediate and Major League All-Star tournament June 14 and 15 at Millikin Field. The

board also announced the winners of the raffle held on Registration Night at the Holiday Inn on March 26. Winners included Sarah Goodyear, Daniel DuVall, Jordan Luce, and Ann Hamlin.

The board received word this month from Little League headquarters that the league Safety

Plan has been approved. The plan was written during the winter months and outlines league compliance with key safety issues both on and off the field. The league earns credit towards charter and tournament dues by complying with the safety plan.

"The Safety Plan is an important step in showing that Grayling Little League is striving to provide an excellent program for area youth," said league Safety Officer Tracy Wilson. "Safety for our players, coaches, and volunteers is extremely important to us."

One major change in Little League this year came directly through the charter. The change requires that all league volunteers complete an application and pass a background check before beginning duties for the league. "The board is pleased that all coaches and volunteers have complied with this requirement," a league official said.

Grayling Little League games are open to the public. Games are played Monday through Thursday at 5:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m., and 7 p.m. at Millikin, McNamara, or McIsaac Field. Games continue through June.

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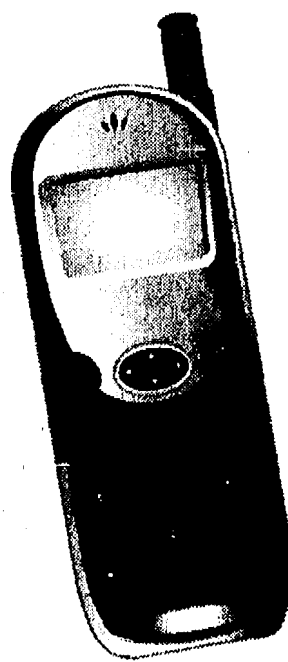
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3. Employment

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8. Announcements

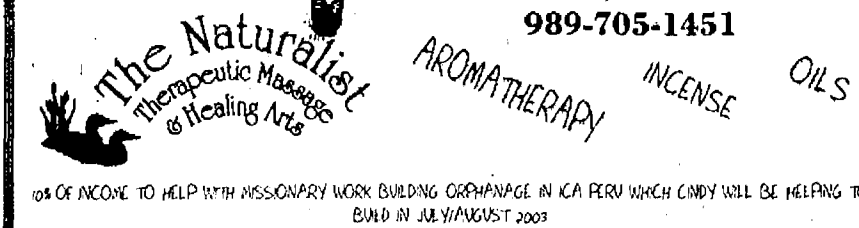
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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF LAND AND FACILITIES

NOTICE OF SALE OF EASEMENT ACROSS DEDICATED STATE-OWNED LANDS

LAND TRANSACTION CASE NO. 19980106

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2133, Part 21, Subpart 10 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) proposes to sell the following State-owned land or rights in land by direct sale:

Crawford County, Grayling Township, T27N, R3W, Section 21: Centerline of proposed easement (20 ft. wide) over existing trail for ingress and egress and public utilities from M-93 Highway to the west line of the E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 21, T27N, R3W, Grayling Twp., Crawford Co., MI. Described as being over part of the W 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of said Sec. 21. Centerline of said 20 ft. easement beginning at a point on the west line of the E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of said Sec. 21 located distant N 88° 06' 10" W along the north line of said Sec. 21 a distance of 1,308.72 ft. and S 01° 06' 35" W 953.89 ft. from the N 1/4 corner of said Sec. 21. Thence along center line of existing trail the following courses and distances: N 88° 23' W 272.43 ft. and N 27° 23' W 184.60 ft. and N 43° 36' W 146.97 ft. and N 16° 15' W 212.82 ft. and N 41° 05' W 167.88 ft. to the point of ending in the centerline of M-93 Highway. (0.45 Acres)

The proposed sale is being placed on the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Agenda for public comment prior to being approved by the MDNR Director. The next meeting of the Natural Resources Commission is scheduled at the following date, time and location:

June 5, 2003
4:30 P.M.
Holiday Inn Express
1255 North Dixie Highway
Monroe, Michigan

Public appearances before the NRC will begin at 4:30 P.M. and may be scheduled by calling Ms. Theresa Gloden, NRC Secretary, at 517-373-2352. PLEASE NOTE: This notice is not a solicitation for bids. Further information concerning this case is available by contacting Ms. Renee Tober, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Office of Land and Facilities, P.O. Box 30448, Lansing, MI 48909-7948, or via e-mail at toberre@michigan.gov. Phone 517-373-1240.

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MICHAEL FORTINO! Congratulations on your hole in one on "seven" at the Gray/Fox Tournament, Sunday, May 18! Your fans. (-22/8)

JOB LOSS High credit card debt, creditor threatening legal action, bankruptcy service available, personal loans, refinance mortgage loans, debt consolidation loans. Please call us at 1-866-209-6472 for free financial info and advice. (-1-8-15-22/8)

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10. Garage Sales

1050 HEATHER LANE Friday, May 30, 9:00-4:00. Saturday, May 31, 9:00-4:00. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE 800 Ionia, May 23 and 24. 9:00-4:00 Avon, weight set, hunting bow, household items. (-22/10)

306 MIKADO Saturday through Monday. 9:00-? (-22/10)

GRANDMOTHER OF Garage Sales Antiques, glassware, designer and name brand clothes, (size petite to 28), books, jewelry, bar-b-que grill. stuff for toddlers to grandpas. High end and priced to sell. Friday - Monday, May 23-26. 9 a.m. until ? 8731 W. Beaver Rd., (off Military Rd.). See you there. (-22/10)

2. Garage Sales

LARGE GARAGE SALE May 22, 23 and 24. (Thursday, Friday, Saturday) from 9:00-5:00. Full size bed and frame, rocker glider, recliner chair, duck decoys, table and chairs, Tupperware, home interiors, small boat with trailer, BB guns, tools, clothes, file cabinets, microwave and much more. 8080 Finch Lane off of Lake Margrethe Blvd. (-22/10)

WE ARE OVERSTOCKED! Husband says get rid of it before he gets home from golfing. Don't miss this one Friday, May 23. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Six miles east of Grayling on M-72 just before Stephan Bridge Rd. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE 1559 River Drive. M-72 W to Arrowhead to Tamarack Circle to River Drive. snowmobile, snowblower, generator, much more. Saturday, May 24. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-22/10)

TIME TO GO Yard Sale. Fishing boats, camping gear, guns, sports gear, lawn tractor with snow blower. Lots of miscellaneous Tamarack Circle off Arrowhead. Saturday, May 24, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE May 24, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. toys, baby items, books, some clothes, lots of miscellaneous. 3083 Babbitt, Maple Forest Township. Canceled if raining. (-15-22/10)

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS and lots of men's stuff. Friday - Sunday, 8:00 to 3:00 Breakfast Pt. 1 1/4 mile east of Grayling on M-72 E. (-22/10)

FINDERS FEE PAID for unique Bear Archery and Fred Bear artifacts. Please call Pete Koefas. (989) 348-8627 or 1-800-848-1268. (-22/10)

YARD SALE May 22, 23 and 24. 8144 Finch Lane, 9:00-5:00. Girls clothes (12 months to size 8), 29 gal. aquarium and accessories, men's and ladies clothes, Christmas decorations, toys, children's books, kitchen table and chairs, 19" TV, two full size mattress sets, bikes, kayak. (-22/10)

GRAYLING RE-DO-IT Resale Shop 50% off sale, furniture, knick knacks, dishes, etc. May 23-26, 111 Vilas St. 9:00 to 5:00 (989) 348-2856 (-22/10)

PRE MOVING/GARAGE SALE EVERYTHING reduced in price. 6152 Sam Rd. (Karen Woods) Friday - Monday, May 23-26, 9:00-? (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE May 24, 9:00-5:00 at 1799 Bernard Blvd (by Viking Village). (-22/10)

ANTIQUA GLASS and Garage Sale. 1350 W. Federal Highway, Roscommon. One mile East of I-75, exit 244. Friday, May 23 - Monday, May 26. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-15-22/10)

YARD SALE Friday and Saturday, 23 and 24, 9:00-4:00. 1083 M-72 East, 6 1/2 miles east of Grayling. Baby furniture, lots of baby items. Some furniture, miscellaneous items. (-22/10)

ONE DAY ONLY Saturday, May 24. Some antique furniture, sportsman books/collectibles, clothes, much more. 9-4 p.m. 429 Evergreen Dr. (-22/10)

3. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 24, 9:00-2:00. Wide variety of stuff. 744 S. Roberts, 1/3 mile north of hospital. (-22/10)

DOWNSIZING at 4946 Helen Drive, off Roberts Road, on May 22, 23, 24, from 9:00-5:00. Clean, some never worn girls clothes, sizes 10-16, some half sizes, hair accessories, tapes, toys, karaoke machine, books, clothes, suitcase bags, jewelry, drapes, rods, bed skirt, picture frames, single bed box springs and frame, Mediterranean bedroom set, picnic table, umbrella table, outdoor chairs, sleds, Barbie furniture, etc. (-22/10)

SIX FAMILY GARAGE SALE Rain or shine. 7522 Merrio Rd., follow signs at Five Mile Rd. and Old 27. May 22-24. 9:00-5:00 (-22/10)

NEIGHBORHOOD SALE 5 1/2 miles East on M-72 turn left on Pappy's Trail follow signs. Children's and adults, furniture, clothes, toys and more. Starts Friday, May 23, 10 - 5 p.m. (-22/10)

HIDE-A-BED good condition. \$75; two Power Riders \$50 ea. Wieder gym, microwave, satellite TV equipment (989) 348-4849. Saturday, 6637 George Ct. (-22/10)

YARD SALE Saturday only. May 24, 3755 Jones Lake Rd. Bikes, household items, toys and miscellaneous items. (-22/10)

MOVING SALE May 16-18 and May 23-26. Items include adult clothing, household items, some furniture items, collectibles, fabrics and sewing notions, patterns (bulk sale only), woodworking tools, etc. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 1978 Royal Coachman Drive, Grayling. from Grayling take M-72 W to Goose Creek Rd. (about 8 miles), right on Goose Creek Rd. 1.2 miles to Barkley Rd. Right on Barkley one mile to Royal Coachman then one mile to last driveway on right. (-15-22/10)

LOTS OF twin girls clothing, sizes birth to 24 mos. Miscellaneous household items, tools, etc. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, May 22 to 24, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 607 Ionia, Grayling. Corner of Ionia and Park. (-22/10)

MULTIPLE FAMILY GARAGE SALE May 23, 24, 25, 9:00-5:00. No early sales, 10 miles east of Grayling on M-72 East. Name brand boys clothes, baby clothes, computer games, toys, over 20 Disney movies, dishes, lots of household items, bikes, compact music discs, four guns. (-22/10)

GARAGE/PRE-MOVING SALE Friday-Sunday, 9 a.m. to ? Women's plus clothes, men's, furniture, lots of household, 1158 Ole Dam Road. Sale across the street too! (-22/10)

THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE Furniture, clothes, and miscellaneous items. Friday and Saturday, 9:00-4:00, 15968 M-72, turn in Dave's Mobile Home Transporting. (-22/10)

3846 JONES LAKE RD. off North Down River Rd. left Wilcox Bridge, right on Jones Lake. May 24-26, 9:00-7:00 p.m. Household items, weight bench, weights brand new, dehumidifier, clothing. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Matching baby crib, changing table, dresser. Booster/car seats, baby clothes/toys, Precious Moments figurines, household items, downhill skis/boots. Another garage sale across the street. Friday and Saturday. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1159 Ole Dam Road. (-22/10)

TWO FAMILY Furniture, gun cabinet, lawn mower, sewing machines, high chair, computer, microwave, convection oven, holiday decorations, houseware, 2419 M-72 East. Thursday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-22/10)

4. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE 221 Dale St. North from North Down River Rd. Wednesday, May 21 thru Tuesday, May 27. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Bread machine, electric mixer, crock pot, cookbooks, tablecloths, antique items, bedspread, blanket, towels, placemats, shoes and clothing also many new Christmas decorations plus much more. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE 305 Elm St., Grayling. Saturday and Sunday only. 9:00-5:00. (-22/10)

MAY 23, 24 & 25, 8 till ? 3165 Jones Lake Rd., Grayling. (-22/10)

LARGE YARD SALE at 4530 West Five Mile Road from 8:00-? on east side of 75. (-22/10)

THUNDERWING BARN SALE 2351 N. Manistee River Rd. Saturday, May 24, 9:00-4:00 p.m. Couch, braided rugs, desk, small cedar chest, floor lamps, wood burning stoves, sewing machines, hand knit sweaters plus household items. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE May 23, 24, 25, 9 a.m. 4 p.m. Rough sawn cedar, 14' boat trailer, motor, collectibles, linens, floor model radio, books, tools, knives, hunting, fishing equipment, long guns, sawbuck table, antique hanging lamp. Much, much more. Warbler Hideaway, East of Lovells R., off North Down River, follow signs. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Saturday - Monday, 9:00 till ? Baby items, infant/toddler clothing to 4T, junior girls clothing, Harry Potter twin comforter set, woman's medium Columbia coat, household miscellaneous. Corner of Lake and Galen. (-22/10)

HUGE GARAGE SALE Clothes, furniture, antiques, tools, mowers, camper, boat, chainsaw parts. Too much to mention. Saturday and Sunday, 9 till 5 p.m. 1227 S. Hoot Owl Lane. North Down to right on Headquarters to Richardson, follow signs. (-22/10)

YARD SALE Saturday, May 24, 9:00-5:00. 10070 Monroe Ave., off McIntyre's Landing. (-22/10)

THURSDAY - MONDAY 9:30-5:30 Corner of 700 Plum and Lake. Crafts, sport cards, Pokemon, Elvis, War, Star Trek cards, movies, games, albums, comics, dolls, Beanie's, Power Ranger, Toys, books, crochet, magazines, clothes, Motherhood shirts. (-22/10)

MAY 23, 24, 25, 26, 10:00-4:00. Estate Yard Sale. .201 Crestwood, Grayling Mobile Estates. Furniture, dishes, lots more. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Frederic, 6568 Manistee St. May 24, 25 and 26. 9:00-5:00 Homelite generator, 14 ft. fishing boat with trailer, some tools, 27 ft. travel trailer fully self contained, three piece living room furniture, dresser, end tables, baby crib, high chair, kitchen things, glasses, pictures, luggage, bikes, roll bar, CB parts, fishing gear, some bedding and much more. Lots of odds and ends. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Saturday, 5/24/03, 9:00-5:00. Children's toys and clothing. 329 Red Tailed Hawk Loop. (-22/10)

LARGE SALE Grandma's stuff, furniture, new building materials, electrical, plumbing, boats, miscellaneous. Friday, Saturday, Sunday. One mile north of Grayling at Timberly Village Park. (-22/10)

11. Automotive

1991 4 CYLINDER Ford Ranger. \$1,200. Call (989) 348-3256. (-22/11)

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11. Garage Sales**10. Garage Sales**

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11. Automotive

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1999 SATURN 70,000 miles Five speed, air condition, good shaper. \$6,000 O.B.O. (989) 348-8096 (-15-22/11)

'94 CHRYSLER Town & Country Well maintained. \$3,900 or best offer. Garaged, low mileage. (989) 348-5820 call anytime. (-22/11)

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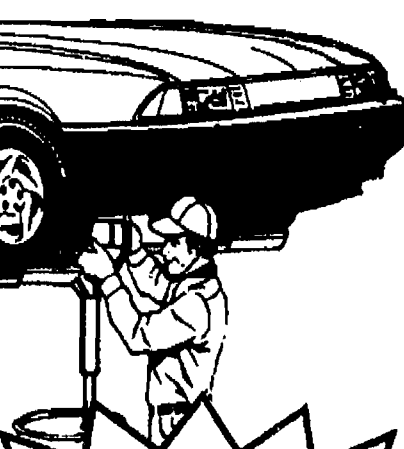
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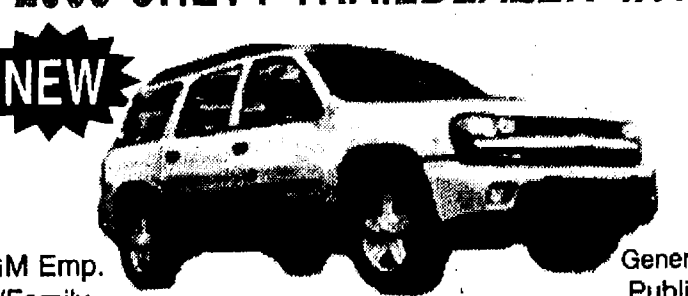
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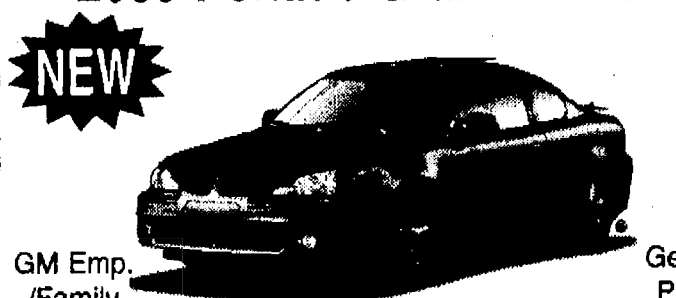
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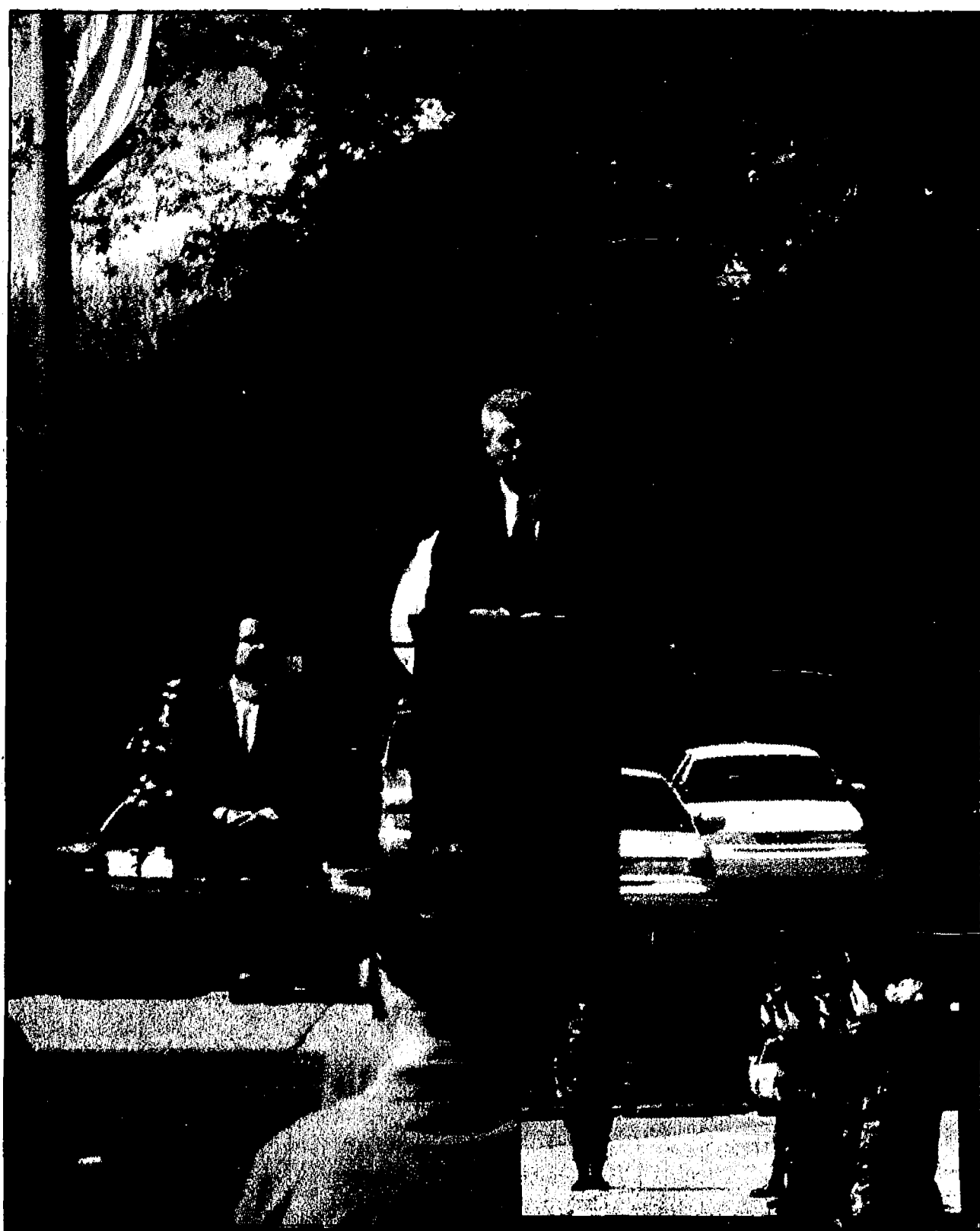
"We feel this cowardly and senseless destruction to such a wonderful building is unconscionable," stated a letter from the Friends' Board of Directors. "We also believe those responsible should suffer incarceration and public chastisement from their peers."

A large thermopane window in the rear of the building was broken and the book return box was spray painted by the vandal or vandals.

Any person or organization wishing to add to this reward fund may mail a check or money order to 201 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738, or drop off the funds at the library. Make donations payable to Friends of the Library - Vandalism Fund.

Information regarding this vandalism should be given to either Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner or Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield.

Honoring the blue and brown



Photos by Cheryl Ruley

Retired Michigan State Police Post Commander Arthur J. Wakeley addressed the those in attendance at the Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony, hosted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office on May 15 as part of National Police Week. Seated is Rev. Elizabeth Chace who gave the invocation and benediction. For more, see "Honoring the blue..." on Page 3A.

County opts into DDA

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners agreed unanimously to be part of the proposed Grayling Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and passed a resolution stating guidelines it can live by at a special meeting May 14.

The concept of a DDA to fund improvements through a Tax Incremental Financing Plan (TIFP) for the purpose of enhancing the downtown area, and attracting businesses and customers, was first approved about three years ago by the County Board when it was last proposed, advised Commissioner Scott Hanson. Grayling City officials at that time decided not to adopt a DDA.

On an ever tightening budget due to Proposal A and escalating costs, County Board members expressed in their resolution concerns about their responsibility to the tax payers and a need to apply certain conditions as part of exercising their option to be included in the DDA.

Commissioner Shelley Pinkelman aired some concern about making conditions for "opting in" to the DDA, that the county may not be showing full support of the adoption by adding such stipulations.

County Chair Lynnette Corlew said the County is allowed to negotiate certain conditions to participate in the DDA.

The County Commissioners agreed to the following conditions:

- The County will allow the capture of 100% of the incremental taxes for the County, Commission on Aging and the Grayling Recreational Authority up to a capped amount of \$50,000 through 2009.

- Any incremental tax revenue that exceeds \$50,000 in any given year will be distributed to the taxing jurisdictions of the County by a percentage of the total millage.

- The County will allow the capture of 75% of the incremental taxes for the county, from 2010 through 2020. However, the tax revenue of Commission on Aging and the Grayling Recreational Authority will no longer be allowed to be captured.

- After the summer tax of 2020, the County will no longer permit the capture of incremental taxes.

- Board members of the Commission on Aging and the Grayling Recreational Authority have voted to opt in to the DDA at their recent respective meetings as a show of support.

Commissioner Dave Stephenson said he agreed with the recent Community Assessment Team report that the proposed DDA area be reduced and the \$50,000 allowed by the County through 2009 will give the DDA the boost it needs to get started toward creating a thriving business district.

State finds jail in full compliance

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Following an inspection by the Michigan Department of Corrections' County Jail Services Unit, the Crawford County Jail was found to be in full compliance with state Administrative Rules for Jails and Lockups.

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield shared the good news with the Crawford County Board of Commissioners during the Law Enforcement Committee meeting on May 14.

MDOC Correctional Facility Specialist Dennis Steenrod conducted the inspection on April 10, conferring with Crawford Jail Administrator Captain Scott Feldhauser who oversees the 51-bed facility.

In previous years, before Wakefield's administration, jail inspections yielded noncompliance status due to a shortage in Corrections Officers and the inability of jail officials to continuously monitor certain jail cells.

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First of the season



Four-year old Audrey West was the first person this year to stop by the Avalanche office with her morel mushrooms found in an area off of North Down River Road on May 13. She was accompanied by her grandfather, Rich Wroblewski (not shown).

Photo by Cheryl Ruley

Minors caught drinking offered a different kind of detention

► Work projects needed locally; noncommercial agencies eligible

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Beginning this summer, those aged 17-20 years of age charged with their second offense of minor in possession (MIP) of alcohol -- whether still in the bottle or in their person -- will be offered a new way to serve out their punishment.

The Northeast Michigan Community Corrections Advisory Board has found in the past year it has been placing a lot of people in long-term treatment programs.

The Board is attempting to reach out and educate young offenders earlier on to avoid long-term treatment costs farther down the road.

The Board, tasked with finding alternatives to jail time for low-risk, non-violent offenders, would like to try the Saturday Work Crew program in Crawford County. The program has proved successful in other counties when dealing with MIP

offenders.

Marie Frick, Community Corrections Case Manager, said the Board is looking for projects in Crawford County that can be completed on a Saturday by a crew of young people. Only nonprofit groups, municipalities and government agencies qualify for the program. Crews can do cleanup work, both inside and out of buildings, minor repairs, yard work and in some cases, painting.

Offenders interested in working on a crew to reduce jail time will pay \$30 each to cover the expense of a supervisor, such as a corrections officer or deputy, to oversee the project and crew, making the program self-funding. Frick said most youths don't like giving up a Saturday, so participation in the program is a sort of sacrifice which may have an impact on some offenders.

Crawford County Magistrate Jean Callewart, who handles many MIP cases, said she is willing to give the program a try locally, but could not comment on how successful she thinks it will be.

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Arrest made in GHS bomb threat

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Grayling High School was evacuated last Thursday morning, May 15, when a note was found in a men's rest room stating the school was going to blow up. Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said because of a tip, a 15-year old male student is now in custody.

Sheriff Wakefield said he was pleased to receive full cooperation from school Superintendent Milli Haug as the threat was taken very seriously and his department took charge.

All students in attendance that day were first ushered to the school's football field and then loaded onto buses where they waited for Sheriff's Deputies and a Michigan State Police Trooper out of Gaylord, accompanied by a bomb-sniffing dog, to search the building for explosives. None were found.

Staff members and students were allowed to go back into the school after about a three-hour delay and classes resumed to the end of the regular school day. Some students, upset by the incident, were allowed to go home early with permission of parents and guardians.

Sheriff Wakefield said the teen in custody is currently lodged at the Camp Shawono juvenile detention center awaiting prosecution. He said the 15-year old had spent time in juvenile detention before, but could not elaborate on the

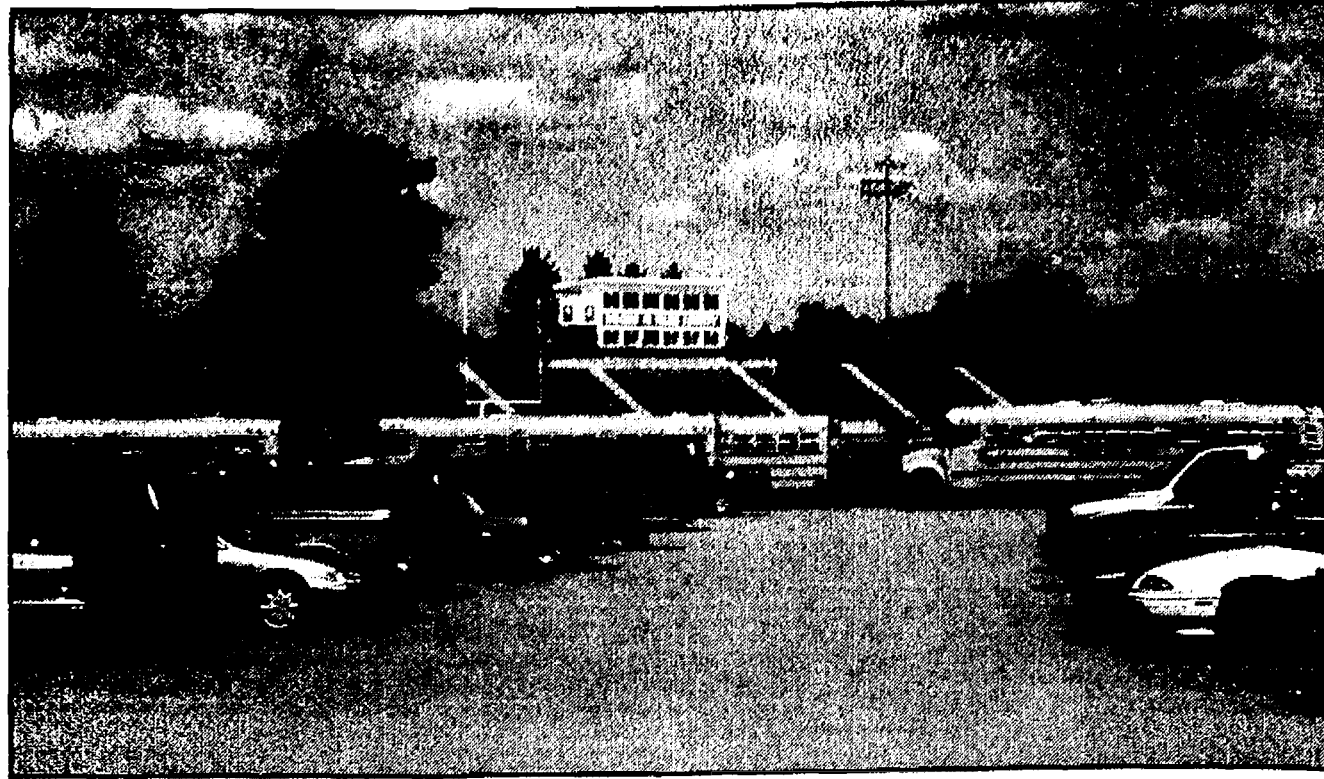


Photo courtesy of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office

Grayling High School students spent a few hours on buses waiting for the building to be checked for explosives after a note was found May 15 stating the school was going to blow up.

teen's record. Because of his age, the boy's name has not been released. Wakefield said he will probably not be charged as an adult.

This is the second bomb threat made against the Crawford AuSable School District in the past 14 months. The last was made by former Grayling Middle School teacher, 44-year old Kathryn Olson, who confessed to making the threat by phone, but has yet to be sentenced in 46th Circuit Trial Court. No explosives were found in the March 11, 2002 incident which closed the middle school for the day.

Making a false bomb threat is punishable by up to four years in prison and/or a \$2,000 fine.



Crawford Deputies assisted the Michigan State Police K-9 team to search the high school for explosives.

Stolen vehicles recovered, one found torched

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

A 20-year old Grayling man was arrested for allegedly stealing a car and a pick up truck, then torching the truck in a field

in Grayling Township.

An investigation by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office led officials to Matthew Michael Wakeley, who now faces two counts of unlawful driving away of an auto and one count of arson of real property valued between \$1,000 and \$15,000. He was arraigned on all three felony charges in 83rd District Court on May 13. If convicted, Wakeley faces up to five years in prison on each charge.

According to Sheriff's Sgt. Randy Baerlocher, the Grayling City Police received a report of a stolen 1985 Buick Century on May 11, just before 5:30 a.m. The car was missing from Alger Street and was later recovered by the Sheriff's Office on Sandy Trail in Grayling Township.

A 1998 Chevrolet Silverado, a 4x4 pickup with an extended cab, was reported missing from a residence on Greenwood Road in Grayling Township later that morning, around 10 a.m. The truck was found with extensive



Photo courtesy of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office

A Grayling Township resident reported this 1998 Chevrolet Silverado missing mid-morning on Mother's Day. Deputies located it burned in a field off North Stephan Bridge Road.

fire damage in a field north of North Down River Road, off of North Stephan Bridge Road.

In the past 10 months, Wakeley has been convicted of two alcohol-related driving offenses -- one a felony, one

attempt to resist or obstruct an officer, and providing alcohol to a group of young teens in the Grayling City Park last summer.

Wakeley remains lodged in the Crawford County Jail on \$65,000 cash bond.

State finds jail in full compliance

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Continuing education of personnel and other minor issues

were also called into question.

Former Sheriff Dave Lovely worked with the County Board to

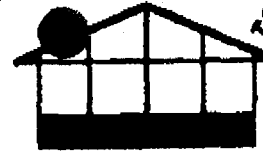
resolve the manpower issue and arranged for the installation of new cameras to monitor those areas in question.

Both Lovely and Wakefield faced budget constraints, causing difficulty in funding actions needed to bring the jail into full compliance. Wakefield continues to battle with a tight budget this year.

County Commissioner Dave Stephenson commended Sheriff Wakefield on the successful inspection, but the sheriff said, "The employees deserve a lot of credit. It took everyone working together to achieve a successful inspection."

Jail administrators are usually given seven to 10 days notice prior to inspection.

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Camp Grayling celebrates 90th birthday

A ceremony was held May 4 at Camp Grayling, dedicated to the patriotism and generosity of Rasmus Hanson, Camp Grayling's benefactor 90 years ago.

On May 2, 1913 with a Michigan Public Act, the initial acreage of about 14,000 acres along the south end of then Portage Lake was established as a permanent military training site. Through numerous modernization changes, the original Camp Ferris (named after the then Governor Woodbridge Ferris), changed in name to Camp Grayling and to the current size of 147,000 acres.

The Grayling High School Choir, under the direction of Karen Ross, linked up with the 126th Army Band, Michigan Army National Guard in providing a medley of patriotic music for those in attendance.

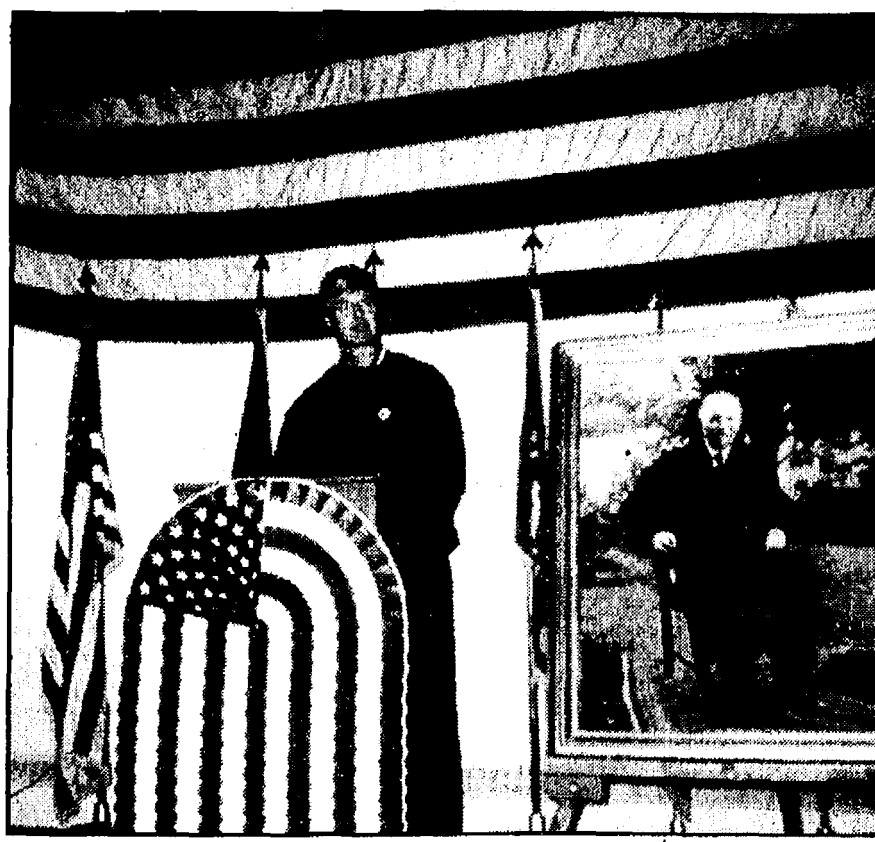
A portrait of Hanson was set center stage and the Armory drill hall was decorated in patriotic splendor by the Family Support Group. MATES provided a static display of combat vehicles, the

1439th Firefighters provided a display of the equipment and were on hand to demonstrate their abilities. The Loomis Battery, a Civil War Reenactor group provided a cannon and display which were used in 1913.

Currently, Camp Grayling is primarily home for training for Michigan, Ohio and Indiana Air and Army National Guard. It is also home to the Northern Michigan Law Enforcement Training Group (NMLETG) with a current membership of 36 law enforcement agencies who use the installation ranges and new precision driving track.

The camp also hosts training conducted by reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines plus, Canadians and Michigan's Partnership for Peace country of Latvia.

Camp Grayling's 10th Commander, Colonel Dennis D. Hull, welcomed all attendees to the event. Numerous local and state dignitaries were present to pass on their congratulations for the 90 years of service Camp



Photos courtesy of Camp Grayling

U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak was one of many speakers at the Camp's 90th anniversary celebration.

Grayling has provided to our State and Nation.

The City of Grayling Council passed a Resolution, presented by Dennis Palmer, City Councilman, declaring it Rasmus Hanson Day in honor of his keen foresight. The Crawford County Board of Commissioners passed a Resolution, presented by Lynnette Corlew, Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners, stating congratulations on the 90th Anniversary as a reminder of the freedoms we enjoy daily.

Guests speakers included Major General Thomas G. Cutler, The Adjutant General of Michigan and Director of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs; Brigadier General Robert V. Taylor, Assistant Adjutant General for Army; Congressman Bart Stupak, Michigan's 1st Congressional District; Harold Chase, Representing Senator Carl Levin; Brandon Fewins, representing Senator Debbie

Stabenow; Michigan Senator Tony Stamas; Michigan Senator Michelle McManus; Lynnette Corlew, Crawford County Board or Commissioners; Dennis Palmer, Grayling City Council; and Colonel Dennis D. Hull. Invocation and Benediction was provided by Camp Grayling Chaplain Orin Jay Kendall.

Although, Camp Grayling administration's preference for this event would have been for it to have been open to the general public, current Force Protection requirements dictated this event be invitation only.



Camp Commander Col. Dennis Hull (left) accepts a resolution from Grayling City Councilman and Guardsman Dennis Palmer proclaiming Rasmus Hanson Day.

Honoring the blue and brown

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

More than 30 people attended the Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony last Thursday, to honor officers who have died in the line of duty, as well as those who have served. The event was hosted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

Speakers included Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, Retired Michigan State Police Post Commander Arthur J. Wakeley, and County Chair Lynnette Corlew. Invocation and benediction were delivered by Rev. Elizabeth Chace among the chords of a nearby songbird.

Wakeley, the main speaker, talked about the long history of

law enforcement in his family. He showed the crowd a 113-year old cane which belonged to his great grandfather, "one-armed" Tom Wakeley, who served as the sheriff of Crawford County "in the era of rough lumbermen and plentiful saloons -- the 1890s." He shared the story of how he learned as a little boy about his great grandfather and how he had no idea he would serve law enforcement all of his life, too.

Of law enforcement officers he said, "While the work they do is part of the bedrock of democracy and the life of a citizen, those who don the blue or brown uniforms contribute directly to the freedom of the individual to live his or her life as a citizen."

"But there are a lot of folks who do know the score -- who realize that the best evidence is that we are able to walk to the Grayling Post Office without being mugged -- or to shop in stores where clerks are not working behind bullet-proof glass."

Near the close of the ceremony, a firing squad of Camp Grayling military personnel delivered a 21-gun salute to the fallen heroes. The customary playing of "Taps" was cancelled when members of the Grayling High School Band were detained at the school due to a bomb threat.

The ceremony was followed by an informal luncheon provided by the Sheriff's Office.

GHS to host annual Senior Honors Night

Grayling High School will host its annual Senior Honors Night on Thursday, May 22 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of the AuSable Primary School.

The program is being sponsored in the evening to give parents, relatives, friends and members of the community the opportunity to share in the honors being bestowed upon the senior graduates.

School administrators feel it is only fitting, as the local community deserves much of the credit for these achievements.

The quality of family life, support and concern provided has contributed significantly toward the academic achievement and honors that these seniors will receive.

A large portion of the 2003 graduating class will be recog-

nized for their achievements through state and local college scholarships, citizenship awards and a variety of academic awards.

The Grayling High School administration and faculty invite all parents, relatives, friends and community members to support our honored seniors and the education system by sharing these special moments of honor.

Minors caught drinking offered a different kind of detention

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"I have never worked with an MIP Saturday work program, so I really can't predict its success here in Crawford County," Callewaert said. "Maybe for some people the work program will work, maybe some get more out of time in jail. I just know that somewhere they need to realize there are some consequences for breaking the law."

According to 46th Circuit Trial Court records, alcohol related cases involving minors in 2000 numbered seven; in 2001 - nine; in 2002 - 89; and so far in 2003 - 23. Callewaert said by reviewing the numbers its obvious there is a problem with minors and alcohol in the county.


To get the program started this

summer in Crawford County, Frick said she needs to hear soon from interested eligible parties

who may have a project for the MIP offenders. Frick can be reached at 732-3551, ext. 16.



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ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Texas Democrats flee to fight again

FACED WITH a losing battle on an important issue, minority Democrats in the Texas House of Representatives picked an unusual strategy to get their way in a Republican dominated legislature.

En masse Democrats took a brief hiatus in next-door Oklahoma and their absence halted action in the legislature while they were gone.

Specific target was a Republican plan to re-district Texas congressional seats again. A new plan was expected to replace a half dozen Democrats with Republicans in the Texas delegation.

By running away, the Texas Democrats lived to fight another day.

Does that make sense? Republicans were incensed, but

to this outside observer -- all I know about the Texas walkout is what I read in the newspaper -- it makes perfect political sense.

ALTHOUGH SOME rules are different, in certain circumstances the Texas gambit might work in Michigan, too.

The Michigan legislature did its districting job on time last year, and the changes shifted several seats from Democrat to Republican, reflecting the party control in the legislature.

In Texas, legislators did not agree in time last year, so Texas courts took over the job in time for the 2002 election. Republicans now in control of the Texas legislature want to re-district again to provide party advantage. That's what set off the exodus of Democrats.

It's not unusual for courts to decide congressional districts if the legislature cannot agree. It's happened in Michigan several times. The court version should stick in Texas, too. Apportioning every time a legislature changes political hands is not good government.

TEXAS HAS A limited annual legislative session, with mandated adjournment date in mid-May. When House Democrats fled, GOP action before adjournment was stymied by their absence.

Like Michigan, Texas rules permit legislative leaders to order absent members to be rounded up by law enforcement officials and forced back to the capitol.

It's been invoked a few times by the Michigan legislature when a close and crucial vote loomed,

but not often, and never to my knowledge has there been a Texas-sized walkout in Michigan.

The Texas Democrats went to a Holiday Inn in Ardmore, Okla., and the long arm of the Texas law couldn't reach that far.

For recalcitrant Michigan lawmakers, Angola, Ind., or Toledo, Ohio, each only an easy hour or so distant from the capitol, would make wonderful havens to sit out a session.

The item that would forestall most similar massive walkouts in Michigan is that the Michigan legislature usually is in perpetual session, from January through December.

The Texas plan might work in Michigan in late December, with adjournment at hand. Even then, with January and start of a new

legislative year just a few days away, those controlling the Michigan legislature can simply out wait a walkout.

THE MICHIGAN legislature formerly met for limited sessions, ending in the early part of the year. If emergencies arose for needed legislation, the governor would convene a special session to consider only specific items. That's how it works in Texas and most states, too.

Limited sessions in Michigan ended when the legislature decided on its own to become a full time institution -- an evolution that also brought large staffs, huge buildings, and ever-increasing pay levels.

Michigan lawmakers are not in session from January through December, but instead of

adjourning, they recess from time to time -- for such things as spring break, summer vacation, hunting season, electioneering, Christmas holidays, and so on -- and finally adjourn near year's end.

Technically lawmakers meet for the entire year, but in practice they don't. Among other things, the full-year session prohibits the governor from calling special sessions for specific purposes, and retains within the legislature the power to dictate the agenda.

The perpetual session also likely precludes an effective large walkout of legislators to block action they oppose, as happened in Texas.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Self-governing rights worthy of protection

To the editor,

In this space last week (May 15), James Powers wrote about the May 3 public hearing for the Natural River Designation (NRD) of the Upper Manistee River Watershed (UMRWS). He said he was "shocked and embarrassed" that a woman "shouted a venomous assault" at the President of our local Trout Unlimited Chapter. This exchange many have been improper for the venue, but describing it as a "public assault" is quite melodramatic.

Powers' chivalry in publicly calling for an apology from this unidentified woman on behalf of another man is, well -- laughable. However, his misrepresentation of this event enabled him to mischaracterize the "true colors" of those opposed to the NRD.

Powers then condescendingly explained that the "Manistee River is owned by all of the peo-

ple of the State of Michigan."

True enough. Even so, 48 percent of the land surrounding the UMRWS is currently held in private ownership and is mostly developed. Under the questionable auspices of providing river protection, the NRD allows the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to promulgate state-mandated zoning over these private lands. With state backing, Powers has asserted that these stakeholders should have no greater voice in the zoning of their property than those who use the bordering public waterway.

Opponents have found the zoning component of the UMR draft plan to lack representative community input and accountability. Developed in the 1995-98 time frame by an advisory panel not allowed to entertain any other form of river protection, this plan was buried by opposition in 1998. Its resurrec-

tion has refueled the enmity generated back then.

The current form of the act provides the MDNR the opportunity to modify or promulgate rules as it deems necessary. For these reasons, this plan was widely rejected in 1998, and it is widely rejected today.

Under the current form of the Natural Rivers Act, local support is unnecessary. Last fall, 16 of 17 townships and four of five counties within the UMRWS resolved to oppose NRD under the current form of this act.

These elected representatives of the people were not opposing river protection. Most already have zoning ordinances designed to protect the river for future generations. They are opposed to surrendering local rule-making authority within their districts to a state agency.

Over 170 UMRWS property owners in the counties of

Crawford and Kalkaska have found this self-governing concept to also be worthy of protection. These goals are not mutually exclusive. Today, the MDNR's Director can designate watersheds despite overwhelming opposition.

River protection will ultimately come from those with a real investment in the watershed. I encourage the MDNR to share its knowledge and to work cooperatively with local governments and stakeholders in this endeavor. I also encourage the department to work with legislators on House Bills 4641 and 4642 in amending PA 451, part 305 so any new river plan might be more palatable to those impacted by it. The UMRWS draft plan, enabled under the current form of this act, is unacceptable.

Anne Marie Kea
Grayling

Did River Act supporter finally get the message?

To the editor,

In his letter to the editor (May 15 edition, *Avalanche*), James E. Powers publicly attacked those who oppose the Natural River designation of the Manistee River by saying they "flew their true colors," and that one of the opponents "shouted a venomous assault toward one of the public speakers."

He went on to play the role of Miss Manners and chided the woman for her remarks.

However, he lacked Miss Manners' finesse -- choosing combative words, to say the least. He asked, "... that someone please tell this woman that the Manistee River is owned by all the people of the State of Michigan, and not just those who are property owners."

Mr. Powers many not realize it, but I think he finally got the message the opponents to the designation have been trying to make... the river belongs to

everyone! All citizens! For all uses!

It is in fine shape, according to what was said by Dan Pearson at the meeting. There is no restoration to take place -- just maintenance of the quality. In other words, the zoning ordinances of the townships have worked and the efforts of those who have

been stewards of the river have worked. A gentleman I met at the meeting said, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it!" Wise words... and let's leave the questions of etiquette to Miss Manners.

Juanita Wennerstrom
Grayling

Cancer survivors invited to take Victory Lap

To the editor,

The Crawford County Relay for Life Committee invites all cancer survivors to join us for an incredible community celebration as we honor you -- the cancer survivors of our community.

Join fellow cancer survivors in our Survivor's Victory Lap, followed by a superb dinner, compliments of the Grayling Pizza Hut. Each survivor will also receive a T-shirt designed espe-

cially for the occasion.

The 2003 Relay for Life event will kick off on June 27 at 6 p.m. at the Grayling Nursing Centre on Meadows Drive in Grayling.

We ask each survivor who wishes to participate to RSVP (with shirt size) to Tom Pettit at 348-3801 or Therese Kaiser at 348-1674. Hope to see you there!

The Crawford County
Relay for Life Committee
Grayling

Work of many helps beautify fish hatchery

To the editor,

The Girl Scouts of Troops 2311, 2453, 2591 and 2950, as well as many other volunteers, came out to plant seedling trees at the Grayling Fish Hatchery this past week. The planting was a great success, and will help

beautify the hatchery for future generations.

Your efforts make Grayling a great place to live and work.

Kevin Garrity
Grayling Fish Hatchery
Restoration Committee

Community should come together to heal, not blame

To the editor,

First, I would like to express my deepest sympathy to the family of James Fear. My prayers are with the whole family.

There have been a lot of rumors floating around about the accident. My son has experienced much scrutiny of his involvement and actions thereafter the fact. It appears many people feel my son could have done more to prevent the accident or, ultimately, the death of this young man.

First of all, blame will not change the fact that a family and a community have lost a child in a tragic way. All of us, as a community, should come together and help a family begin to deal with the grieving process, and two young children begin to heal from the aftermath of an accident that will ultimately be a part of them for the rest of their lives.

People ask why my son did not go to the funeral. Simple. Has anyone thought that maybe he might not be able to

deal with the issue. After all, he is only 17. Most 17-year old children have never been in a horrible accident, let alone seen what he has seen. Yes, maybe people may feel he could have done more, and maybe they are right, but to a 17-year old who is in shock, he thought he did his best.

Instead of trying to find blame, we should try to heal. We all know that fast cars and speed tantalize children; we need to begin to educate them. As parents, teachers, and mentors, we can sit down with our teenagers, or young adults, and explain to them the seriousness of safe driving and wearing seat belts.

We cannot replace this young man, and he will never be forgotten, but we can try to work together and spare the life of another young adult. Let's work together as parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and a community, to heal.

Shannon Forbes
Grayling

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Avalanche Sets Early Deadline

Deadlines For Memorial Day

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day, and will reopen at 9 am Tuesday, May 27.

The deadline for display ads for the May 29 issue is Thursday, May 22, 5 pm. Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by noon Friday, May 23. Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday, May 27 noon.

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BRIEFS

Memorial Day services planned

Monday, May 26 is Memorial Day. The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will offer Memorial Day ceremonies beginning at 10 a.m. in the Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling, then moving on to the cemetery in Frederic Township, and finally to Maple Forest Township for a short program. The public is welcome.

Mother/daughter banquet May 23

The Burning Bush Tabernacle, on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host its annual Mother and Daughter Banquet on Friday, May 23 beginning at 6 p.m. with a dinner buffet, followed by a blessing from guest speaker Carol Cole. The church extends an invitation to all mothers and daughters to attend. For more information, call Pastor Petrie at 348-1278.

Medallions support Special Olympics

Glen's Family Market in Grayling is selling Special Olympics medallions through June 2003 to support local athletes' participation in Summer Games in Michigan. The paper medallions are available for \$1 each and include coupons for Spartan brand products. Customers sign their name on the medallion for display in the store. Spartan Stores is the exclusive sponsor of the Special Olympics Michigan Summer Games and, since 1985, has made corporate contributions to the games of nearly \$5.9 million.

Hospice volunteer training offered

Mercy Amicare Homecare and Hospice will be holding Hospice Volunteer trainings May 28-29, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Grayling Amicare Office, 201 Meadows Drive, Suite A (in the Professional Building behind Huntington Bank). Several important topics will be covered. Hospice volunteers perform many services including respite, companionship and support, transportation, clerical and office assistance. Mercy Amicare Hospice covers services for Crawford, Roscommon, and parts of Ogemaw, Otsego, Oscoda and Kalkaska counties. For more information or to sign up for either training sessions, call Sherry Haag, Volunteer Coordinator, at 1-800-424-1457 or (989) 348-0039.

Bone density screenings offered

A low-cost bone density screening clinic will be held Wednesday, June 4, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., at the Glen's Family Market in Grayling. Cost of the screening is \$9.99 and includes an ankle ultrasound test by Interim HealthCare that takes about two minutes. Test results will be available immediately following the scan. The U.S. Preventative Services Task Force recommends that high-risk women should start getting screened for fragile bones beginning at age 60.

Eastern Orthodox pastor to speak

Father Tom George of the Assumption Cathedral of Detroit will make a pastoral visit to Traverse City on Saturday, May 31. He will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m. (Orthos at 9:30 a.m.) in the Sanctuary of the Grace Episcopal Church, located at 341 Washington Street, across from the courthouse, in Traverse City. A social gathering will follow. All faithful are invited to attend the service. For more information, call (231) 932-6868.

COA plans Annual Hot Dog Sale

The Crawford County Commission on Aging (COA) will hold its Annual Hot Dog Sale at Glen's Market in Grayling on Friday and Saturday, May 23-24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. All proceeds go to the COA and its programs for senior citizens.

County offices closed Memorial Day

The Crawford County Courthouse and the administration portion of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

Couples' golf league to meet

A meeting of The Hookers and Slicers Couples Golf League will be held on Thursday, May 29 at 6 p.m. at the Grayling Country Club. Members should make every effort to attend.

Secretary of State closed May 26

All branch offices of the Michigan Secretary of State, including the Grayling office, will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day. Motorists whose driver license or license plates expire over the holiday should renew early. For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/sos.

Animal Shelter board to meet

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Gray Rock Cafe. Summer fund-raising activities will be discussed.

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O'Mercy Golf Classic to benefit hospital

The Mercy Hospital Auxiliary is sponsoring the O'Mercy Golf Classic at Fox Run Country Club on Friday, June 20 to benefit the hospital.

The two-person Scramble package includes 18 holes with a cart, Halfway House lunch, buffet dinner, (a cash bar will be offered following play) beverages and eligibility for awards and prizes. Cost is \$80 per person. Dinner only is \$20 per person.

Contests include Hole in One

on each par three hole, Closest to the Pin, and Longest Drive. Compete for a number of prizes, including a new car.

Only the first 120 golfers to register by June 2 will be eligible to participate.

The event begins with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Golfers should be at the course 60 minutes prior to tee time for registration.

For more information, call the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary at (989) 348-0487.

Bicycle Safety Rodeo coming up May 31

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield has announced the 6th Annual Bicycle Safety Rodeo is scheduled for Saturday, May 31, for kids in Kindergarten through fifth grade.

The Sheriff's Office, along with the Grayling City Police and the Crawford AuSable School District, will be conducting the rodeo to be held in the parking lot of the AuSable Primary School, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. that day.

Activities will include an obstacle course, "Rules of the Road" instruction with hands-on practice, and a free bicycle safety inspection conducted by personnel from The Bicycle Shop in

Grayling.

As a safety incentive, the Grayling Rotary Club will be presenting a bicycle helmet to the first 300 successful participants.

The rodeo is made possible by donations from the following: Grayling Rotary Club, McDonald's of Grayling, Grayling 7-11, Kirtland Community College, Mobile Medical Response (MMR), and the Crawford AuSable School District.

For more information, contact Undersheriff Shawn M. Krayes at 344-3210 or Tina Bassett at 344-3214.

Help Center's summer lunch bag program begins June 16

The Crawford County Community Christian Help Center will be providing Summer Lunch Bags again this summer to families with children who received reduced or free lunches during the school year.

Families do not have to be a client of the Family Independence Agency (FIA), or have a referral to qualify for the program.

Working families with one or two incomes in the household can really tell the difference in their food budget during summer vacation. Just come to the Help Center, on Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling, during regular business hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., beginning June 16.

If these hours are impossible, just call the Help Center at 348-6046, leave a message and your call will be returned.

This program was very successful in 2002, said Help Center

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC NOTICE HERBICIDE PROGRAM

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All applications will take place between May 27, 2003 and October 24, 2003.

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Applications will be made for control of (1) noxious weeds and broadleaf weeds in turf areas and, (2) woody vegetation (brush) within clear zones. All applications will be ground or aerial applied by vehicle-mounted fixed boom or hand gun equipment. The following herbicides will be tank mixed for each application.

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Brush: Gerton 4 (Triclopyr) and Weedestroy AM-40 (2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid). Escort (Metsulfuron methyl) may be substituted for Weedestroy AM-40.

Shoulder: Roundup (Glyphosate) and Weedestroy AM-40 (2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid).

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The Bible Speaks

World Future

The future of the world is clearly described in the Bible. We know the antichrist and his false prophet will temporarily have global control before Jesus Christ returns. Therefore, we know that there will be a one-world religion united with a one-world government. All the liberal religions of the world are working together toward this ecumenical goal. This one-world religion is described in Revelation 17. Revelation 18 describes the one-world economic system under antichrist. We know the world economy will produce elaborate wealth, yet there will be slavery. Therefore, American style free enterprise or capitalism will not be expanded globally to bring freedom to the world. For years we have warned you that market socialism will probably be the final global economic system under antichrist.

There are 3 systems vying for control today. The first system is that of the Muslims who believe the Koran promises them that Allah will control the earth one day. There are a number of reasons they cannot succeed. First, probably only about 10% of the Muslims are determined to use violence to achieve their goal. Second, their culture is backward and they depend upon the West for most of their technological development. Third, the militant Muslims who believe the Koran will not compromise their religion. They are not ecumenical. They will only create terror and destruction. Their primary goal

is to bring the West down to their level so they can conquer us.

The second system is Judeo-Christian America. We have the only system with the skill and power to control the world today. But, we will not do so because our goal is freedom. We will be limited in the number of nations we can free from tyranny because our own nation is divided on using force to bring freedom to others. And believers in religious freedom cannot spread their faith by force. Besides this, the majority of the intellectual class in America is hostile to Judeo-Christianity even within our own country.

The third system vying for control of the world today is secularism and socialism as practiced in Western Europe and supported by educated elites around the world. They are trying to unite Europe and gain control of the oil held by the Muslim countries. The Muslims will be more open to working with Secular Socialists than Judeo-Christian Americans. The secular socialism of Europe already permeates even our own educational system in America. You have noticed the silence of the antiwar movement throughout the mass murder of Sudan's blacks, during the genocide in Rwanda, during China's crushing of Tibet, and during Saddam's wars against Iran, Kuwait and Iraq's own Kurds. The world history of the peace movement has in practice proven to be more anti-American than antiwar.

The United Nations has a record of being anti Israel for many years. We are now seeing the UN become more and more anti-American. Will the UN be used as a Trojan horse by the secular socialists of old Europe to bring in the one-world-government? If so, expect to hear growing worldwide talk about the growing danger of an evil CIA/Zionist conspiracy for world control. The Bible foretells of a final holocaust against the Jews in Israel. But will there first be a holocaust against the Christians in America? Pastor "B"

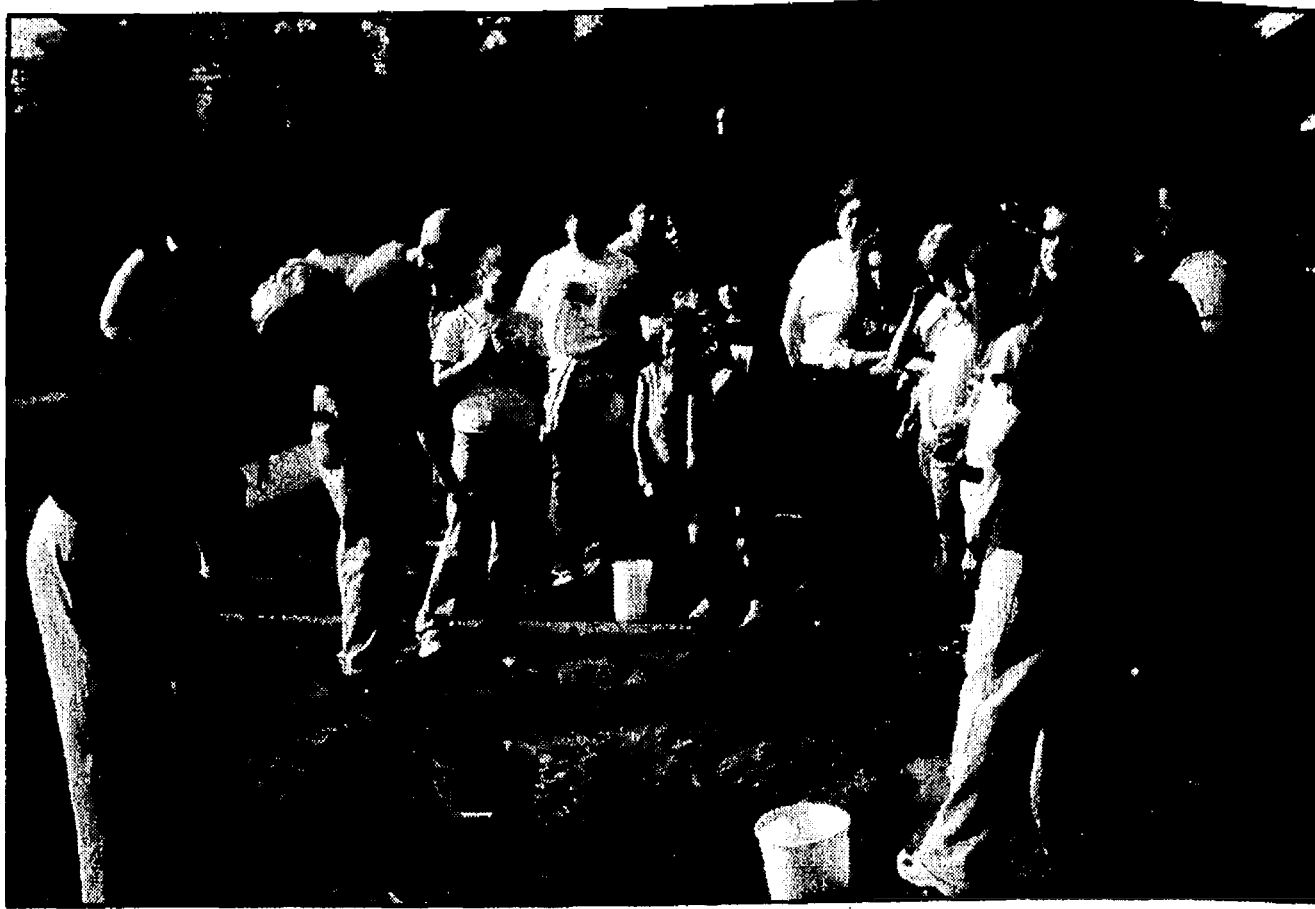
Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/~cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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Girl Scouts help beautify fish hatchery



Girl scouts and other volunteers watch as Kevin Garrity (with shovel) and Ed Parks show them how to plant the 400 donated trees.

Over 40 volunteers came to the Grayling Fish Hatchery during the early evening hours of May 14, to help plant seedling trees. The 400 trees were provided free of charge by a Michigan Department of Natural Resources seedling grant.

Volunteer planters included members of Girl Scout Troops 2311, 2453, 2591 and 2950, as well as other members of the community. Ed Parks helped to

oversee the placement and care of the seedlings. Black walnut, tamarack, maple and ash trees were planted as part of the ongoing restoration of the hatchery grounds.

Visitors to the hatchery will see significant changes from years past. A new, natural trout stream was developed to replace many of the aging, crumbling raceways.

The parking lot and main path-

way have been repaved and permanent restrooms have been added. A children's fishing pond was created, with two separate platforms for fishing. A stormwater retention pond, meant to catch sand, gravel and other waste from North Down River Road, is still in the process of being completed.

Other improvements to the fish hatchery will be ongoing throughout this summer.

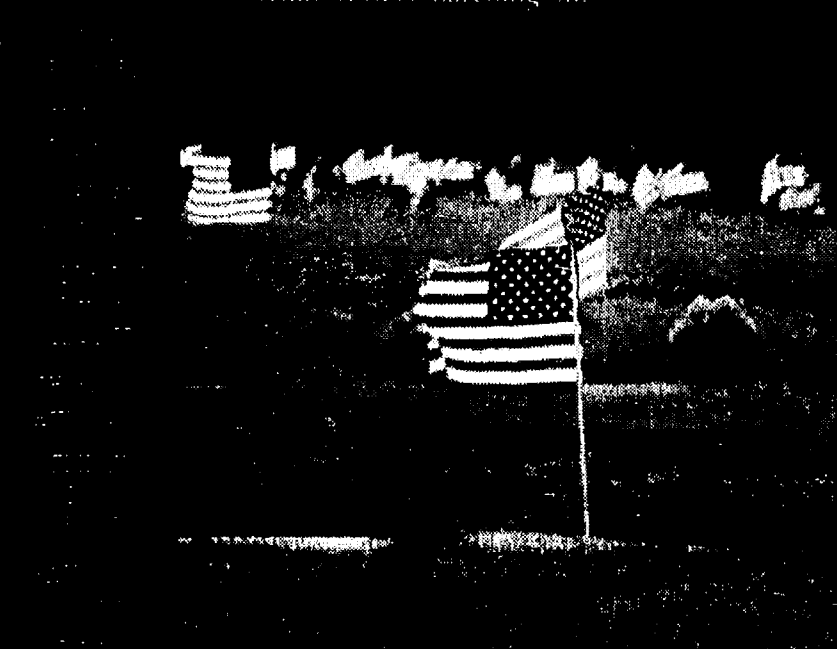
In 1862, as these words formed in the mind of the poetess and proponent of freedom, Julia Ward Howe, The Battle Hymn of the Republic was born. Since that time, this stirring anthem of patriotism and sacrifice has rung out across our land to stir the spirits of all who hold our country and our freedom dear. In every war since the Civil War, paupers and presidents have joined their voices to proclaim the price our men and women of the Armed Forces of America are willing to pay for our right to democracy.

Today, we honor those who have died for our freedom throughout history. We honor their torture and their pain. We honor their families torn by tragedy. We honor their faith in freedom. We honor their faith in God.

As you read this remembrance of Memorial Day, one of our servicemen or women may be dying of the wounds of war. What can you do? Pray for them and their loved ones. Pray for our country and our leaders, for the enemy is even within our borders. Above all, take full advantage of your priceless freedom of worship...purchased by death.

Purchased by Death

As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free,
While God is marching on.



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Sunday Service.....10:30 am
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2nd & 4th Wednesday.....7 pm
Sunday School.....10:30 am

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Sunday Worship.....8:30 & 11 am
Sunday School-
Sept. - May
Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School.....11 am
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Bible Study (Wed).....10:30 am

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor Jeff Arthur
Phone 989-275-1061
Services held Saturday at
Camp AuSable off M-72 East
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Church Service.....9:30 am
Saturday.....9:30 am
Sabbath School.....10:30 am
Prayer Meeting.....7 pm

Lovelis Chapel
Pastor Rev. Gary Hopp
Sunday School.....10 am
Chapel Service.....11 am
Wednesday
Prayer Meeting.....7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor
Daniel Balderrmann-Associate Pastor
6652 (M-72 W.) • 348-9093
or 348-5362
Early Service.....8:30 am
Sunday School.....10 am
Morning Service.....11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship.....11 am
Adult and Youth
Sunday School.....9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship.....11 am
Evening Worship.....6 pm
Wednesday.....7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885
Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School.....9:30 am
Morning Worship.....10:30 am
Evening Service.....6 pm
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children.....7 pm

The Church of Christ
with the Elijah Message
Pastor Paul Rolfe
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic
Sunday
Worship.....10 am & 7 pm
Wed. Prayer Service.....7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President David Page
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament.....10 am
Sunday School.....11 am
Primary.....11 am
Priesthood.....12 noon
Relief Society.....12 noon

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School.....10 am
Sunday Service &
Children's Church.....11 am
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting.....7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
Appointed Pastor Victor Slayman
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348-5224
Sunday School.....9:15 am
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

Community of Christ
Pastor Carol Stephan
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Church School.....9:45 am
Preaching.....11 am
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

Friendship Church
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Rev. Dick Oberg, Pastor
415 Ohio North, Gaylord
Sunday School.....10 am
Morning Worship.....11 am
Tue. Women's Bible Study.....11 am
Wed. Men's Bible Study.....12 noon

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor
700-708 Peninsular - 348-7657

Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil Mass.....6 pm
Sunday Masses.....8:00 am
Family Mass.....10:00 am
Scripture Study
(Sundays).....9:15 am
Daily Masses.....
Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship.....11 am
Evening Worship.....6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

St. Francis Episcopal
M-72 West
Office 348-5850
Sunday Holy
Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Church
Pastor Jimmie McWatters
Grayling Days Inn Conference Room
Sunday Service.....10:30 am
Phone: 231-536-7933, Fax: 231-536-3046
Wednesday.....7 pm
(call or e-mail for directions)
Website: www.rlcnow.com
E-mail: pastorjim@rlcnow.com

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship.....10:30 am
Evening Worship.....6 pm
Mid-Week Services
Wednesday.....7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

Church of Christ
Scott Hoffer, Pastor
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd.
275-8613

In Search of the Lord's Way
TV 29 & 8.....7:30 am
Sunday Classes.....10 am
Sunday Worship.....11 am
Sunday Evening.....6 pm
1st Sunday Evening of every month
there is no service.
Wednesday
Mid-Week Bible Study.....7 pm

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Studer
211 Shellenbarger St.
348-5325

Sunday School.....10 am
Sunday
Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
Affiliated with S.B.C.
Pastor Terry Colby
705 Madsen St. • Grayling
348-2557
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship.....11 am
Evening Service.....6 pm
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School.....9 am
Sunday Service.....10 am

Luzerne Baptist
Pastor James Durfee
2247 Durfee Lane
Sunday School.....10 am
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

Harvest Time Church of God
Pastor Fred Coates
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska
(231) 258-3448

Sunday School.....10 am
Worship Service.....11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer
Wednesday.....7 pm

Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran--Missouri Synod
Pastor - Rev. Steven Thiel
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348-5921

Wed. Morning Bible Study.....9:30 am
Sunday School.....9:15 am
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

Unity Church of Today North
Terry Dickinson, Minister
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Sunday Services.....9:00 am

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VIEWPOINT

by Harry Timmons, Chairperson of Citizens for Crawford County Law Enforcement

If we want them to be there for us, we need to be there for them

In Crawford County, we look to the sheriff's office to "protect and serve" us within our neighborhoods, schools, lakes, trails and roads. Did you know the sheriff's office is in serious financial trouble and may risk the continued loss of essential personnel and/or services in the coming years?

Understand this has nothing to do with politics and I want to be clear, my concerns are strictly about the economics of the situation. The sheriff's office is literally running out of money. If we don't work together as concerned citizens, we are on the verge of losing the entire department.

I'm amazed to learn many residents don't realize we have no county patrol coverage between the hours of 12 midnight and 7 a.m. It's been this way for six years. We don't talk about it like

it's a secret, but it needs to be discussed out loud, and so do these subjects:

- Aging patrol cars, unable to be used in high-speed pursuits due to high mileage;
- Personnel retiring and unable to be replaced due to lack of funds;
- Insufficient funds to continue the marine and off-road vehicle grants in 2003;
- Loss, in August 2003, of federal COPS funding to support one deputy position for Grayling Township;
- Effects of budget on firing range qualification, officer training, and CPR qualifications.

Why? Shoddy management? Politics? Absolutely not. Numbers are numbers, folks, and they just aren't there anymore. Whether it's the result of reduction in revenue sharing money passed down from the state, or the elimination of federal grant sources previously available for personnel and school services, the economic future of our sheriff's office depends on us. You and I have to be so concerned about this that we're not going to allow it to happen.

I'm certain many of you think, "That can't happen!" Well, yes, it can. There is no mandate in

any official county document which requires an active force of deputies. Our deputies are facing continued reduction of staff and the need for new/replacement equipment. If it has a cost, the sheriff's office is running out of ways to afford it.

Are you aware of all that is done by our county officers? Even with budget restraints choking their financial resources, here's a sampling of the excellent service and protection they have provided:

- Emergency Assistance by handling 593 traffic accidents in 2002;
- Increasing safety in the county by arresting 289 offenders;
- Acting as civil process servers when necessary;
- Protecting boating/canoeing/off-road trail (ORV, snowmobile) activities; boating safety school; personal vessel inspections; attendance at public meetings; search and rescue;
- Overseeing all issues/responsibilities associated with the Crawford County Jail; and
- Operating in all schools with school resource officers including the following programs: DARE, Conflict Resolution Groups, Parent Drug Awareness, Junior Deputies, Bicycle Safety

Rodeo, McGruff Safety Presentations, and School Safety Patrol.

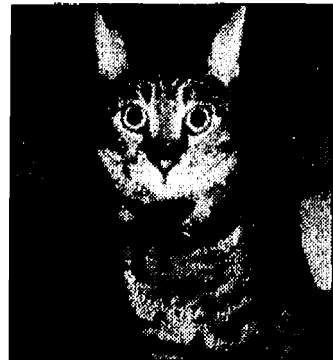
I've got a vested interest in this issue and so do you. Anyone who lives, owns property, hunts, fishes, recreates on our beautiful lakes and rivers, is raising their family here, works in the county... you get the idea... we all need to be actively concerned about the financial difficulties the sheriff's office is facing. Get involved in any way you can.

Come and join the "Citizens for Crawford County Law Enforcement" (the group formerly known as "Friends of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office"). This group meets monthly. We're organizing a Family Fun Day, June 14, centered around a charity softball game between 9and10 News All-Stars and the deputies of the County (and a few of their friends).

What are your strengths? What can you offer? Think about it and get actively concerned. Let our deputies know how much we appreciate and rely upon them.

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National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week, May 18-24, honors the approximately 750,000 EMS providers nationwide who deliver lifesaving care.

EMS Week is a time to recognize fire and EMS crews' readiness to provide lifesaving care to those in need -- 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"Working as a paramedic is different from any other career you can have," said Jill Howell, Denton Township Ambulance. "You get tremendous satisfaction from helping others and knowing you can make a difference between life and death."

National EMS Week's theme, "EMS: When it Matters Most," emphasizes that no matter what the emergency is or when it occurs -- be it an injury, an automobile crash, a heart attack, a diabetic emergency, or childbirth -- EMS responders are there to provide immediate lifesaving care and transportation.

"EMS Week offers a great opportunity for us to recognize the vital public service and the thousands of hours of specialized training our fire and EMS members dedicate to our communities," said Alan Bersted,



Dennis Wallace is one of many emergency medical responders deserving recognition this week, National Emergency Medical Services Week, May 18-24.

MD, Grayling EMS Medical Director at Mercy Hospital.

"Our patients benefit daily from the knowledge and skill of these highly trained individuals. Approximately two-thirds of all EMS providers are volunteers,

which indicates how motivated these individuals are to serving their communities."

Pulmonary rehabilitation class offered

If walking quickly, climbing stairs, or trying a new exercise regimen leaves you gasping for a breath, Otsego Memorial Hospital's (OMH) Pulmonary Rehabilitation program may help you. The educational and exercise program is designed to benefit people with chronic lung disease. A physician referral is required. Class will begin on Wednesday, June 4, at 2 p.m. in the classroom of the Professional Medical Building. Call your physician to determine if this program is right for you. For information, call Sandra Nemecek at (989) 731-7842.

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Marj Kelsey, FNP
Family Nurse Practitioner

Marj Kelsey is a Certified Nurse Practitioner. She completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Michigan, and received her graduate degree from Michigan State University. She has been part of the Mercy Hospital Grayling staff since 1987 and began her work as a Nurse Practitioner in 1995.



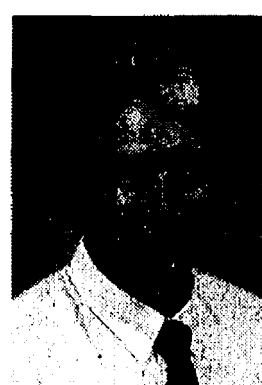
David LaGattuta, MD
Obstetrics/Gynecology

David A. LaGattuta, MD, is a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. A graduate from the University of Michigan Medical School, Dr. LaGattuta completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Ohio State University. Dr. LaGattuta began practicing at Mercy Hospital Grayling in 1996.



Vincent E. Schultz, MD
Family Practice/Obstetrics

Vincent E. Schultz, MD, is a specialist in Family Practice and Obstetrics. A graduate of the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, Dr. Schultz completed his residency in Family Practice at Midland Family Practice and fellowship in Obstetrics in Tacoma, WA. Dr. Schultz joined Mercy Hospital Grayling in 2001.



Carl F. Schubert, MD
Obstetrics/Gynecology

Carl F. Schubert, MD, is a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Schubert completed his medical education at Wayne State University in 1989, and practiced in Alpena before joining the staff of Mercy Hospital Grayling in 2002.



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C.A.R.E. expo helps get the information out

The second annual Crawford Area Resource Exchange (CARE) Expo, held at St. Mary's Catholic Church on May 15, drew many visitors who had a chance to learn about the many services available for adults and senior citizens in Crawford County. Here Linda Franklin, Probate Court Register, helps a visitor with forms for advance medical directives, durable power of attorney, and Michigan Statutory Wills. Franklin, along with court guardians Deb Calkins and Audrey Evon, also answered questions about adult guardianship. In its second year, the CARE Expo attracted three times the visitors than last year.



Photo by Susan Warrington

Stepping stone class offered

Want to spruce up your garden or even the patio? The newest rage for outdoor (and even indoor) decor are stepping stones.

The Brook of Roscommon will be hosting a unique opportunity for you to express your creativity through a Stepping Stones class on Tuesday, June 10, sponsored by staff from Kirtland Community College.

Everyone is invited to attend the program. The class cost is \$40 to the general community and \$30 for senior citizens which includes all materials and everything you will need to make your own stone.

For information, or to reserve your spot by June 6, contact The Brook at 275-4000.

Investment firm offers free seminar on how to prepare financially for long-term care

The services that helped pay for long-term care needs in the past may not be able to provide the same benefits for you and your family in the future. That's why Kurt Loll, the Grayling Edward Jones investment representative is hosting a free, educational seminar on how to help make retirement more comfortable and rewarding.

The seminar, "The Road to Long-Term Care," will be offered at 6 p.m., on Thursday, May 29, at the Days Inn in Grayling.

Over the past 33 years, Medicare enrollment has more than doubled. According to the Health Care Financing Administration, as the population continues to age, more families are having to rely on diminishing their assets to help pay for a loved one's long-term care.

Despite these trends, there are effective strategies that can help reduce the financial burden of long-term care.

"Today, people want to be assured that their needs won't become a burden to their families," said Loll. "There are several strategies that can help these individuals and their families reduce their risk and the financial worries associated with long-term care."

During the seminar, Loll will focus on the different ways to pay for long-term care; strategies to help protect assets against the cost of care; and the advantages of long-term care insurance.

This seminar is free, but space is limited. To make a reservation, call Loll at (989) 348-6964 or stop by the office, 307 Huron Street in Grayling.

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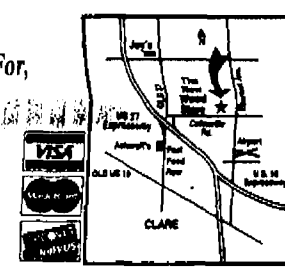
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Realtors exceed expectations

Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty agents exceeded expectations for the 2002/2003 sales year.

First on the list is Clarence "Curly" LaMotte, who has been a licensed real estate agent/broker for 30 years.

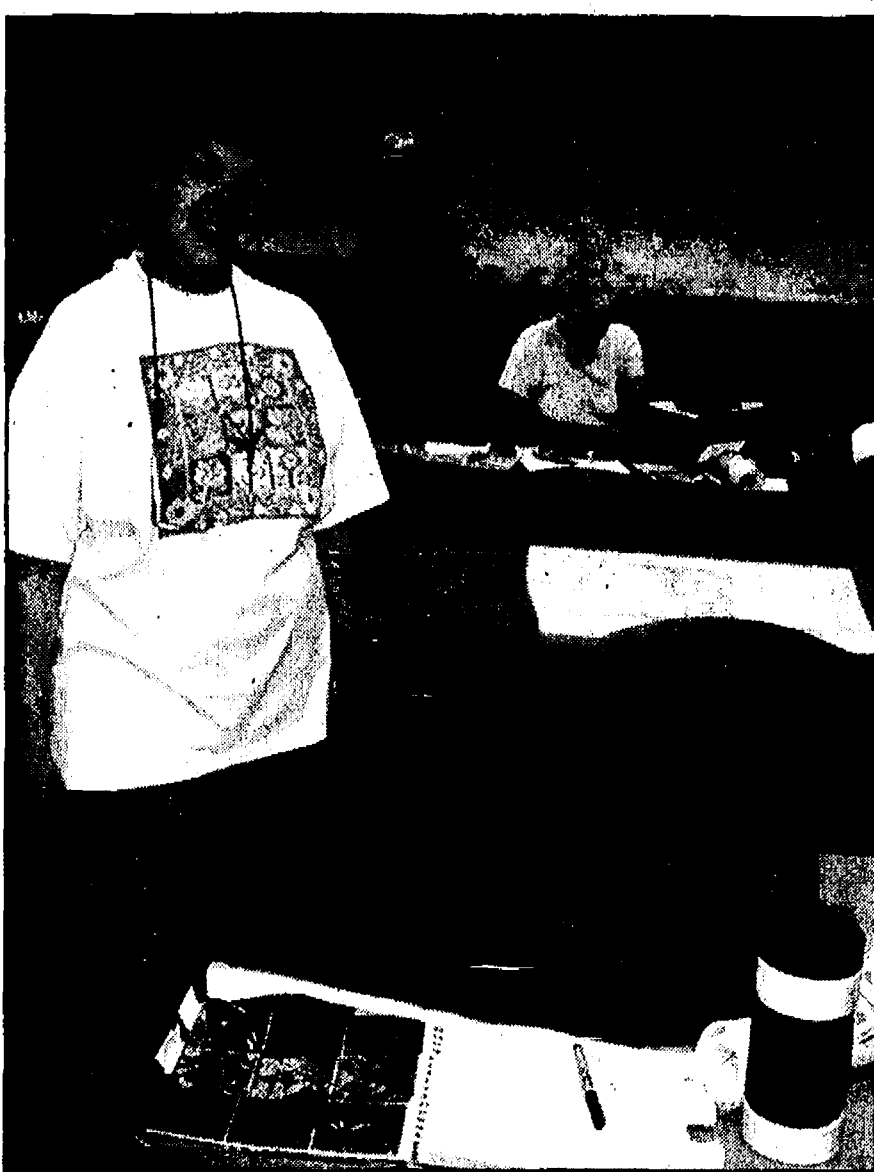
Curly's son, Duane "Duey" LaMotte, closed over 19 sides from January 1 to February 8, 2003. The dollar amount in sides to this monthlong period was \$1,072,600.

Awards received by the Grayling realtor for the 2002 year were as follows:

- "Presidents Elite" (over 60 sides closed) - Duane LaMotte and Todd Jansen;
- "President's Circle" (over 36 closed sides) - Mark Hacker;
- "Diamond Society" (over 24 closed sides) - Fred Shippy, Dennis Scott, and Diann Murphy;
- "Sterling Society" (over 18 closed sides) - Curly LaMotte, Tom Gulick, Laura Mayes, John Howe, and Rick Anderson.

Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty offices in Grayling and Higgins Lake also received the "President's Circle" award and the "Office Manager's Award for Excellence."

A chance to learn from 'world class' quilter



Not a spectacular turn out for Debra Danko and her glorious art quilts on May 15, but those who came seemed to be amazed. Library Director Edward Elsner said, "She is truly a world class artist. Her fabric creations are alive and draw you in. Her stories and sense of humor keep you from disappearing forever into the finished masterpieces. Look for her work in museums and exhibits as you travel."

(Right) Attendee Carla Aderante is shown working on her quilt during Danko's workshop at the Devereaux Library.

Photo courtesy of the Crawford County Library system

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is June 21

The Crawford County Environmental Department will sponsor a Household Hazardous Waste Day on Saturday, June 21,

Collection will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the parking lot of the Crawford County Building at 200 West Michigan Avenue in Grayling. This service is for Crawford County residents only.

Items accepted for disposal will be: paints, aerosols, acids, liquid automotive products, batteries, cleaners, heavy metal solutions, pesticides, solvents, propane cylinders, asbestos, re-actives and unknowns.

Smokey Bear says:
Be careful with fire this holiday weekend and... Never leave your campfire alone!

No commercial waste, latex paint, appliances or scrap metal will be accepted.

Scrap tires will again be properly disposed of for a fee of \$1 each. Only tires with the rims removed will be accepted.

A "Swap Area" for the exchange of usable products will be available this year. All items must be true to label and uncontaminated. The County will not be liable for items taken from the site.

There is no fee for this household hazardous waste disposal service. However, donations will be accepted for the Grayling Fish Hatchery Restoration Project.

Any questions may be directed to Environmental Monitor Bruce Patrick at (989) 344-3258.

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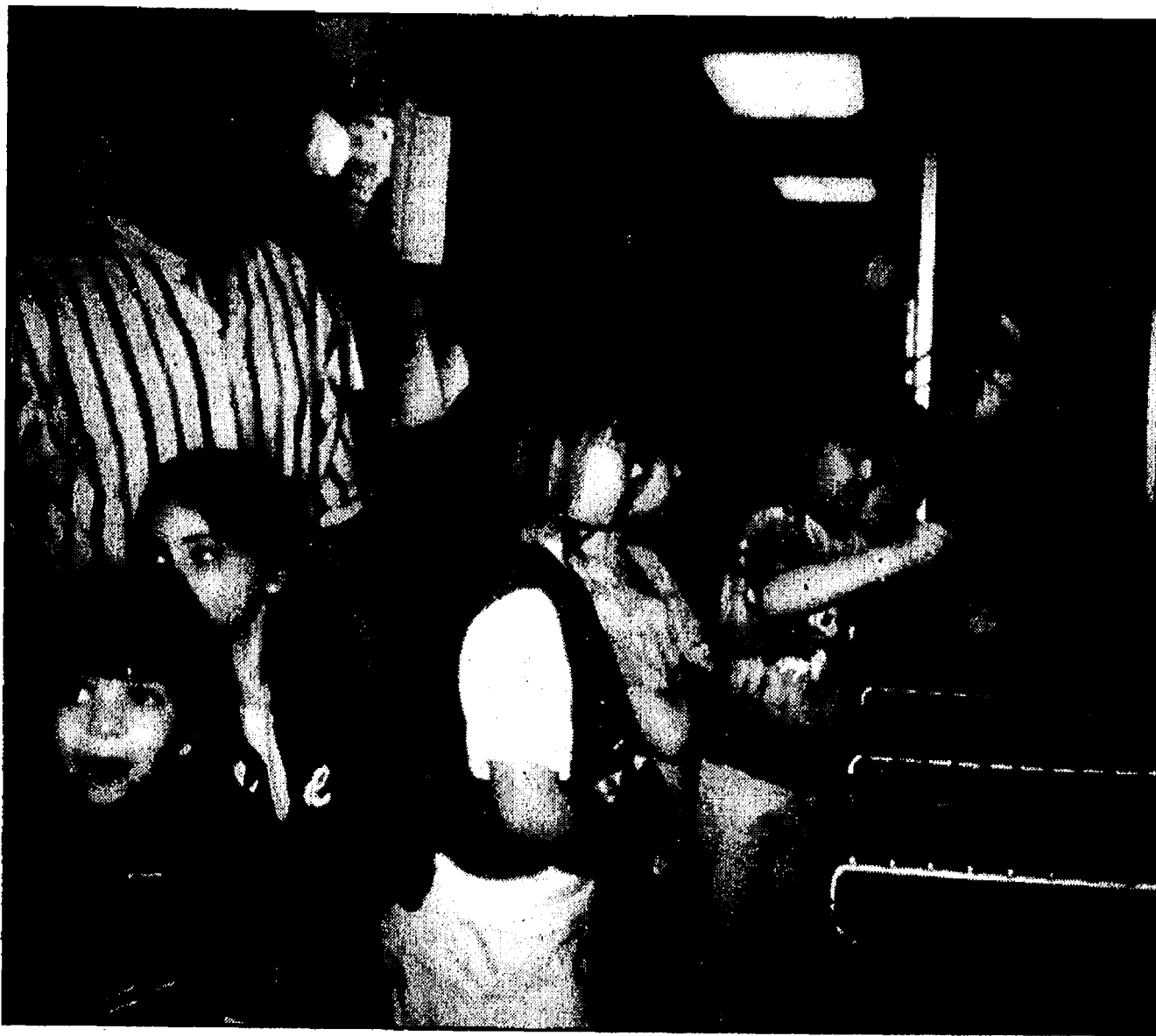
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Troop members become pizza makers



The 2nd grade Brownie Troop #2461 visited the local Little Caesar's restaurant to see how pizzas are made. Owner/operator Jeff Knirk gave the girls the opportunity to make their own pizzas, which they enjoyed in the dining room. Brownies who participated were (in alphabetical order): Emily Barnes, Sarah Goodyear, Charlene Hermann, LeAndra Horton, Amanda McClellan, Kiersten Mead, Cortnee Nye and Tina Teal.

New dentist is no stranger to Grayling

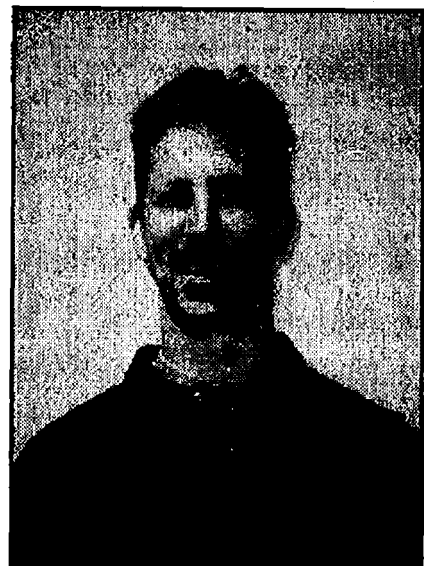
by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Dr. Ralph Oppermann, D.D.S., a 1986 graduate of Grayling High School, will be opening AuSable Family Dental sometime during the second week of June. He said his schedule is not quite set yet but anyone interested in setting up an appointment can call 344-2525. The office is located at 234 Michigan Avenue, on the corner of Michigan and Peninsular.

Dr. Oppermann has been working at a clinic in Sault Ste. Marie since he graduated from the University of Detroit Dental

School in 1997.

Although his family has



Dr. Ralph Oppermann

moved back to Grayling, he will not finish working in the Soo until June 6.

Oppermann is the son of Mary Brown. He said he is happy to get back to Grayling because he has always considered Grayling his home, regardless of where he was living.

His wife, Cari, is his office

manager. She is also a graduate of GHS. She is the daughter of Neil Longworth.

Oppermann and his wife are looking forward to getting involved in the community. They believe it's a great community and want their daughters, Megan and Nicole, to grow up here.

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GHS presents its 2003 Top 10 Students



Charles J. McNamara
Valedictorian

Charles Joseph McNamara has been named 2003 Grayling High School Class Valedictorian. He is the 17-year old son of Mike and Bev McNamara.

He plans on attending Harvard University to pursue a degree in economics, or a field in the humanities or social sciences.

"Charley" was selected as a National Merit Commended Student, AP Scholar, and a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

While at Grayling High School, he participated four years in cross country, was a third place State Finalist in Forensics for Impromptu Speaking, and was a four-year member of both cast and crew in the theater program. Charley also served as President of the National Honor Society.

He enjoys playing piano, is active in the GHS Key Club by tutoring, and participates in char-

ity drives and other related activities.

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Jason W. Henning
Salutatorian

Jason William Henning has been named the 2003 Grayling High School Class-Salutatorian. He is the 17-year old son of Anthony Henning and Tamara Henning.

Jason plans on attending the University of Chicago to study astrophysics and other physical/life sciences.

He is the recipient of the Patrick Gilmore Band Award, the MEAP Merit scholarship, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

While at GHS, Jason has been a member of the GHS National Honor Society, serving as its vice president, and was the senior representative for Band Council.

He has been a member of the GHS Pit Band for fall musicals for four years, was a crew mem-

ber for two spring plays, participated in forensics for two years, and played tennis his senior year.

Jason was chosen for ten honors bands including District II, Central Michigan University, Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, and the State Honors Bands.

He has assisted with the Crawford County Fair for two years, and has tutored middle school band students for three years to help prepare them for Solo/Ensemble. Jason enjoys reading books as often as his schedule allows, playing his clarinet, golf and tennis.

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Christopher M. Cragg
Top Ten Student

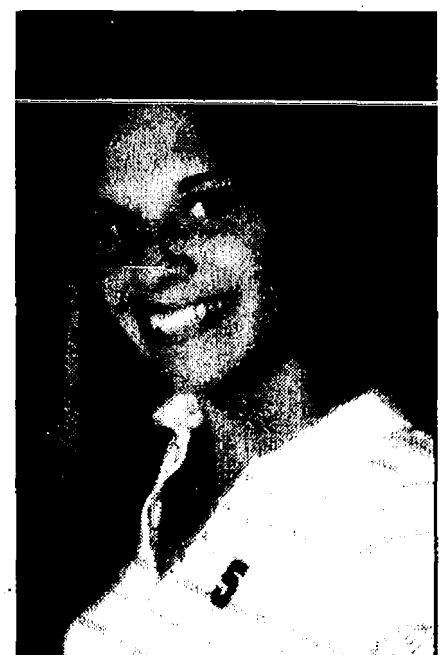
Christopher Michael Cragg, 18, is the son of Melanie Cragg and Bryan Cragg.

He plans on attending Saginaw Valley State University to pursue a degree in computer science.

Chris is the recipient of the MEAP Scholarship and the Saginaw Valley State University Scholar Award. He was also selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

While at GHS, Chris has been a member of the National Honor Society, and participated in track his senior year. His interests include listening to music, the sport of paintball, and hanging out with his friends.

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Jessica L. Green
Top Ten Student

Jessica Lynn Green, 17, is the daughter of Karl and Cheri Green.

She plans on attending Northwood University in West Palm Beach, Florida, to earn a degree in banking and finance/management. Jessica plans to pursue a career in real estate.

She is the recipient of the MEAP Scholarship and has served as treasurer of the GHS National Honor Society.

Jessica has been a scholar ath-

lete her entire high school career, participating four years in girls basketball and four years in track and field.

She is a member of the Grayling High School CARES program and is involved in the St. Mary's youth group. She also referees boys youth basketball, assists with the girls youth basketball camp and Vacation Bible School, and was Santa's Helper at Co-op day care.

Jessica's hobbies include music, traveling, physical fitness and sports.

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Janelle K. Gregorich
Top Ten Student

Janelle Kristen Gregorich, 17, is the daughter of Jon and Dianne Gregorich.

She plans on attending Saginaw Valley State University to major in elementary education.

Janelle is a recipient of the MEAP Scholarship, the Saginaw Valley State University scholarship, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

Other academic honors include Greatest Single Co-Curricular Accomplishment by a Student, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and she received a Special Award for Middle School Tutoring Program.

Janelle is president of the senior class, vice president of Business Professionals of America, secretary of Key Club, and a member of GHS CARES and Positive Peer Involvement.

She has participated in basketball, football cheerleading, soccer, pom poms, powder puff football, tennis, cross country and volleyball.

She has assisted with cheer clinics and tutoring at the middle school, and is a volunteer for the American Red Cross Blood Drives and the Crawford AuSable Day Care.

Janelle is also involved in the Read and Lead Program, the Rake and Escape Program, as well as many other programs with Key Club.

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Kenneth James Heinlein, 17, is the son of James and Mary Heinlein.

He plans on attending Central Michigan University to pursue a double major in music performance and music education.

Ken is a recipient of the Central Michigan University Board of Trustees Scholarship and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

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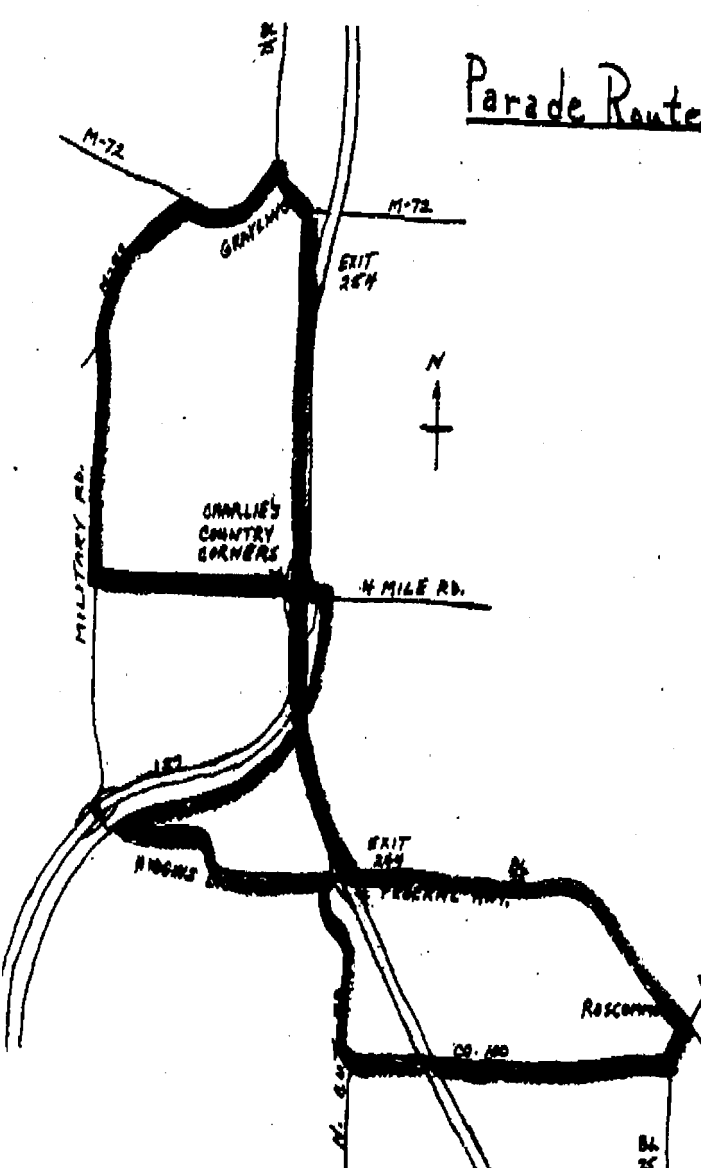
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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

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P.S. Experts estimate that more than 1.5 million osteoporosis-related fractures occur each year.

GHS presents its 2003 Top 10 Students

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Kenneth J. Heinlein
Top Ten Student

He is the GHS Band Council president, and secretary of the National Honor Society.

Ken has participated in a variety of activities at Grayling High School including tennis, golf, band, debate, and forensics. He volunteers at his church and for band in a variety of teaching endeavors and leadership positions.

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trade of masonry, working as a builder, and acquiring a builder's license.

He is a recipient of the MEAP Merit Award and volunteers his time tutoring and in the Bible education work of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Kevin enjoys snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, basketball and playing music.

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Coleman R. Payne
Top Ten Student

Coleman R. Payne, 18, is the son of John and Stephanie Payne.

Coleman plans to attend Tulane University in New Orleans, and is undecided on his major.

He was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team. He is a member of the National Honor Society, and has scored above average on SAT and ACT testing.

He plays the baritone and trombone in band and has participated in marching band, concert band, jazz band and the brass quintet.

While at GHS, he has been involved in forensics and has contributed his talents as a crew member for the theater production of "Oklahoma!"

Coleman enjoys computers,

web hosting, movies, music, reading, and volunteers his time with the brass quintet for community events.

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Monica A. Safin
Top Ten Student

Monica Ann Safin, 18, is the daughter of Robert Safin and Kathleen Dyer, and Cindy and Larry Simpson.

She plans on attending Michigan State University and is undecided on her major.

Monica is a recipient of the Michigan Merit Award, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team. She was selected as the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar Ambassador, and is a member of the National Honor Society, and Quill and Scroll.

Monica has served as the Key Club President, Co-Editor of the Norseman school newspaper, Vice President of Student Senate, and is involved with Youth in Government.

While at GHS, Monica has participated in cross country for three years, soccer for three years, track for one year, and power lifting for one year. She enjoys tutoring, Read and Lead, and has volunteered for the River House Shelter Hygiene drive.



Laura A. Strohkirch
Top Ten Student

Laura Ann Strohkirch, 17, is the daughter of Richard and Annmarie Strohkirch.

She plans on attending Michigan Technological University to earn a degree in chemical engineering.

Laura is the recipient of the Michigan Merit Award, Board of Control Scholarship, and was selected as a member of the North East Michigan Conference All-Academic Team.

She is a member of the GHS National Honor Society, and vice president of Key Club. Laura has participated in varsity tennis and figure skating. She enjoys tennis, sailing, reading, camping, and spending time with her family and friends.

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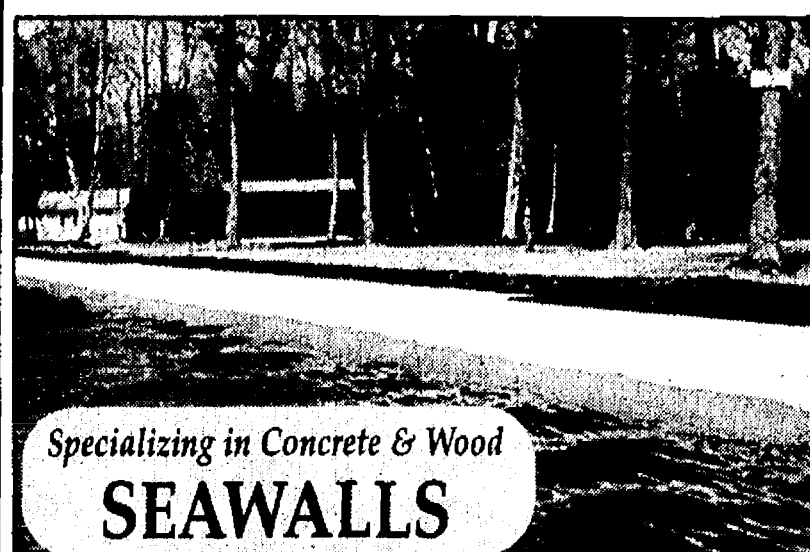
The Grayling High School Class of 2003 will hold its Commencement Ceremony on Friday, June 6 at 8 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

With the exception of Valedictorian and Salutatorian, the Top 10 Students were presented here in alphabetical order, not according to grade point average or other determining factors as requested by Grayling High School.

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Marianne Vollmer, of Grayling, has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester of 2003. To attain a place on the Dean's List, students must have at least a 3.3 GPA on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours.

earning a 3.5 GPA. She has completed her third year at Michigan State University majoring in the field of Telecommunications. Terah is

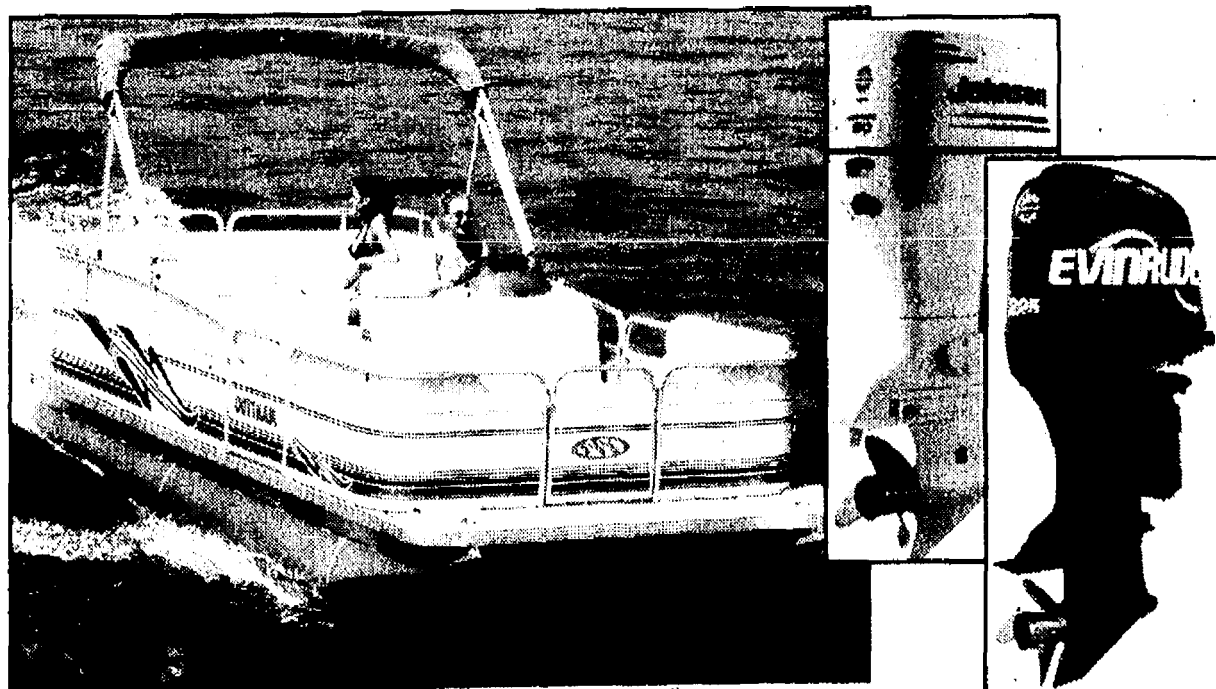
a 2000 graduate of Grayling High School.

She is the daughter of Mike and Deb Armstrong of Grayling.

Terah Armstrong was included on the Dean's Honor List by

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Record 113 graduate from Kirtland

Another sign that enrollment is going through the roof at Kirtland: the college conferred diplomas and certificates on 113 graduates in a May 9 ceremony.

"I am told that this is the largest graduating class ever in the history of Kirtland Community College," President Dr. Charles Rorie said before a festive crowd of more than 1,000. Among them: about a third who graduated from high school within the past five years; more than half of them parents; several grandparents; one great-grandmother; and the first-ever graduate of the new M-TEC at Kirtland-Gaylord, which opened its doors last year.

Christian Oestrike, Kirtland's director of financial aid, was honored as the college's outstanding alumna. Dr. Eric R. Gilbertson, president of Saginaw Valley State University, delivered the commencement

address.

"Congratulations on a record crowd," Gilbertson told the graduates. "These ceremonies are memorable because of what they symbolize."

"Kirtland Community College is a very American place. It stands for a very American ideal, that every citizen, no matter what their standing or place in our society, deserves an opportunity to improve themselves. In no other nation on earth, at no other time in our history has there been this kind of opportunity."

Going to college, Gilbertson added, "is very patriotic because you are living the ideals of a nation, fulfilling a duty to make things better for the next generation."



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Graduates file out of Kirtland's Center for the Performing Arts after receiving diplomas and certificates in May 9 ceremonies.

Student chosen to study robotics



Tim Umlor

Tim Umlor, of Grayling, has

been chosen to attend a Summer Institute at Western Michigan University to study robotics.

Every year, the Michigan State Board of Education sponsors a number of educational opportunities called the Summer Institutes. They are one to two week seminars held around the state at various colleges for highly talented students from across Michigan who are entering their junior or senior year of high school.

Subjects offered range from Wildlife and Forest Ecology to Landscape Painting, to Music and Computers, to Organic Chemistry. Expenses are taken care of by the local Intermediate

School Board, COOR, as well as by the state of Michigan.

The number of students chose for the Summer Institutes is quite small, and students must make it through a number of cuts before being selected.

The nomination process begins at the high school, where two nominees may be proposed. These nominees must submit an essay and go through an interview process with interviewers from COOR. The ISD then sends an allotted number of nominees on to a final, statewide selection panel.

Tim is the son of Grayling High School teacher, Deb Umlor.

School Aid Fund gets boost from Senate

LANSING — Senator Tony Stamas (R-Midland) has sponsored an amendment protecting K-12 education in the face of another budget shortfall in the state School Aid Fund. The shortfall was announced at the May Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference held May 13 at the Michigan State Capitol.

"It is unreasonable to ask schools to slash their budgets as they prepare for the end of the school year," Stamas said. "I am glad that the governor agrees with Senate Republicans that education funding should remain solvent," Stamas said.

On Wednesday, the Senate acted promptly to move Senate Bill 183, which as a result of the Stamas' amendment, transfers \$61 million from the general fund to the state School Aid Fund. The transfer reflects the estimated net shortfall in the School Aid Fund determined by the revenue estimating conference. The approximately \$31 million remaining in the shortfall will be handled by the refinancing of existing bonds.

"We cannot allow Michigan's parents and students to bear the full weight of the state's budget shortfall," Stamas said. "The action we took today (May 14) will prevent the massive cuts school districts would have been forced to make."

The May Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference provided lawmakers with details on the state's economic outlook and revenue collections. Figures released during the conference show a significant budget shortfall in the 2003 School Aid Fund of nearly \$92 million.

"Transferring the money from the general fund to the School Aid Fund represents our priorities during the challenging process of balancing the state budget," said Stamas.

The revenue estimating conference also provided lawmakers with information on the collection of state revenues, the status of the state and national economy and the budget pictures for the 2003 and 2004 Fiscal Years.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Heather Renee Wilcox and Randall Beals Jr., announce the birth of their son, Randall Wade Beals III, born April 16 at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo. He weighed in at 7 pounds 6 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long.

Randall's grandparents are AJ Wilcox of Palm Bay, FL and JanEl Arntson of Schoolcraft, MI, Randall Beals Sr. and Barbara Harrison, both of Chesapeake, VA. Great grandparents are Warren and Helen Hatfield, John and Beverly

Wilcox of Grayling and Mary Lassiter and Lizzie Harrison, both from Virginia.

BIRTHS




Andrew James Kanary

Andrew James Kanary was born March 22, 2003 to Paul and Kimberly Kanary of Grayling. He weighed 8 pounds, one ounce at birth.

Andrew's grandparents are Kaye Laughton of Grayling, Bob Laughton of Sun City, Florida, and Jim and Mary Ellen Kanary of Charlevoix.

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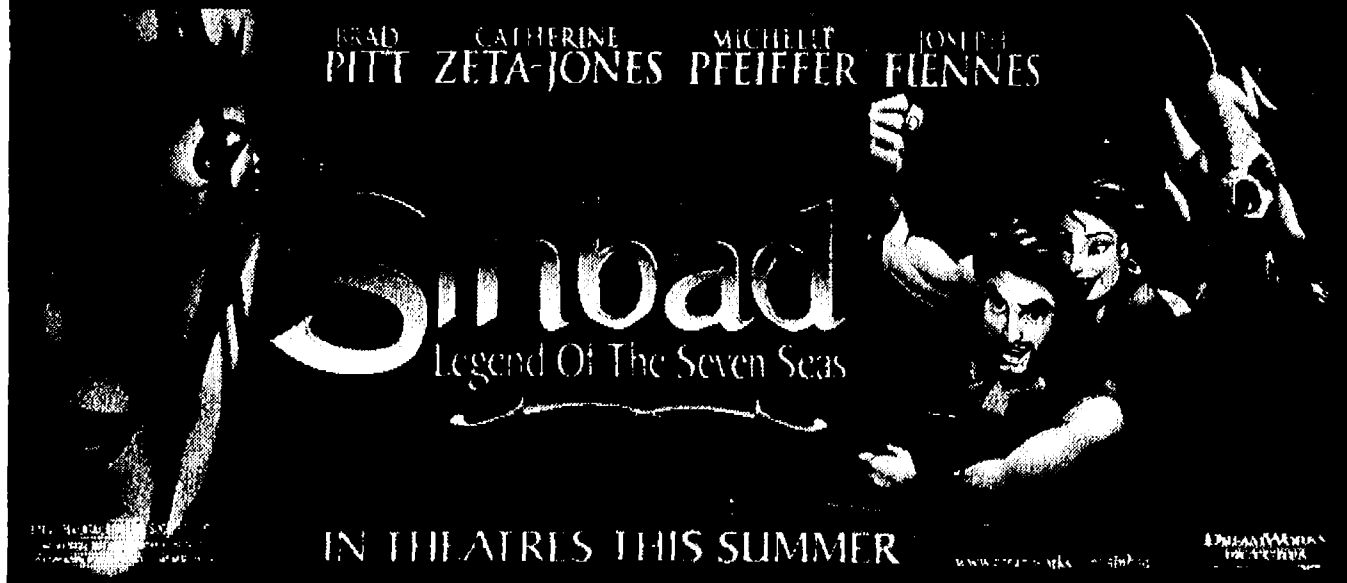
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Girl Scouts earn water safety badges

Members of local Girl Scout Troop #2460 recently participated in a water safety class in the swimming pool at the Super 8 Motel to earn their badges. Shown enjoying the lesson are Girl Scouts Katlyn Nye, Caitlin Jensen, Shalee Miller, Jordan Stephan, Kristen Todoroff, Tiffany Pittman and Melissa Kocefas. Troop leaders (not shown) are Kathy Nye and Cindy Jensen.



Photo courtesy of Girl Scout Troop #2460

Enforcement zones aim to boost seat belt use

Michigan law enforcement officials concerned that safety belt use has stalled, including those in Crawford County, unveiled plans to boost belt use by piloting new "safety belt enforcement zones" across the state on roads where crashes are high or belt use is low.

Not only will enforcement get a fresh look, but a stronger enforcement message, "Buckle Up or Pay Up," will be paired with the well-known "Click it or Ticket" slogan during a two week ad blitz that started last week.

A two-week national safety belt mobilization that runs through June 1 began Monday, May 19. Nearly 500 Michigan law enforcement agencies have joined thousands of agencies across the country making safety belt enforcement a priority. In November/December 2002, officers issued more than 19,000 safety belt citations during a similar safety belt crackdown.

Michigan's safety belt use rate is 82.9 percent, slightly below the all-time high of 83.5 percent achieved in 2000 when the primary law took effect. The goal is 90 percent belt use by 2004 to further drive down traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

That's where enforcement zones come in. The zones will be strategically located in populous areas where crash problems are prevalent or belt use is low. Special, portable "safety belt enforcement zone" signs will alert motorists they are entering an enforcement area, which will run from four to six hours. One officer will serve as a spotter who will radio unbelted motorist information to nearby marked patrol cars who will pull over offending motorists. Similar programs have been run in the past to detect speeding motorists and construction zone violators.

Zones will debut throughout the state. Federal traffic safety funds administered by the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning will pay for officers' time.

Since the safety belt law changed in 2000, traffic fatalities have been on the decline. In 1999, there were 1,386 people killed in traffic crashes. In 2002,

that number fell to 1,264 traffic deaths. Over the three summer holidays last year, 58 people were killed in Michigan traffic crashes: 15 over Memorial Day weekend, 30 over the Fourth of July period, and 13 during Labor Day weekend.

For more information on seat belt enforcement zones, visit: www.michigan.gov/msp. Click on Services to Governmental Agencies, then select Office of Highway Safety Planning. Click on the "Buckle Up or Pay Up" logo.

While Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said he is not fond of the stronger slogan, his personnel will be participating in the enforcement program.

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The Animal Shelter Pooper Scoopers, with a lot of help from their cheerleader, Tonyia Brady, won the 16th Annual Pictionary Olympics on May 9. Team members, standing with judges Alton T. Davis and Monte Burmeister (concealed by a pom pon), were Gail Foguth, Mika Sumner, Kristina Brady and Cassie Maples. Master of Ceremonies again was John Jones (left top).

Twelve teams vie for Pictionary Olympics title

Though no one seems quite sure if it was a record score, the Animal Shelter of Crawford County's Pooper Scooper team took only 34 seconds in total to draw and guess their four words at the 16th Annual Pictionary Olympics on May 9.

The Pooper Scoopers' words were garden, sail, wrap and ton. Their fastest time was five seconds.

Twelve teams participated in the event sponsored by the Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) to raise funds for the AuSable River Festival Parade. Master of Ceremonies was John Jones and judges were attorney Monte Burmeister and the Hon. Alton T. Davis. Anyone who attended that Friday night will never forget the cheerleading by shelter employee, Tonyia Brady, who kept everyone motivated.

The standings at the end of the evening were as follows: 1st Animal Shelter - 34; 2nd J. Dap Co. - 56; 3rd Weyerhaeuser Company - 117; 4th Summers Dealer Services - 127; 5th



Kenquest House - 153; 6th GPA - 165; 7th Chemical Bank West - 172; 8th North Central Area Credit Union - 215; 9th Spikes Keg O'Nails - 232; 10th Scheer Motors - 280; 11th Dean & Aubrey Optometrists - 286; Last Place - ABWA - 305. The first three finishers and the last place team took home trophies.

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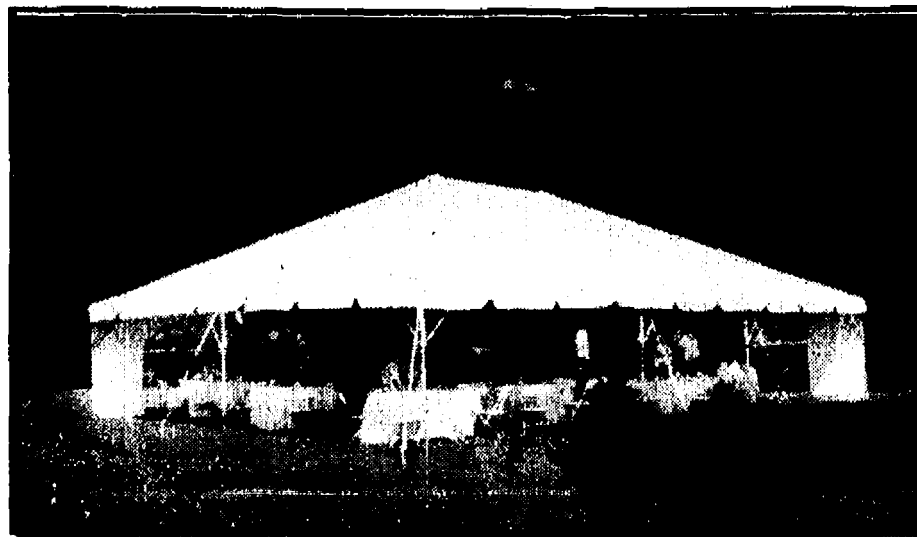


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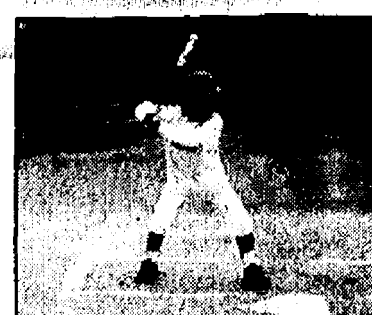
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Softball team hosts Traverse City St. Francis



Photo by Caleb Casey

Laura Gorski pitches for Grayling High School's varsity softball team in a game against Traverse City St. Francis last Monday at GHS. For more on the softball team, see Page 4B.

GHS long jumper qualifies for State

► Jessica Green places 1st at Regionals in long jump competition

One Grayling High School girls track athlete – Jessica Green, a senior – placed high enough at Saturday's Regional Track Meet in Gaylord to qualify for the State Finals.

Green took 1st place in the long jump event with a jump of 15'7.5".

"I am so proud of Jess. She has worked very hard all season to reach her goal of making it to State. I'm looking forward to seeing what she can do in Caledonia," Coach Heidi West said. "Ashley Hawley also turned in a strong performance in high jump."

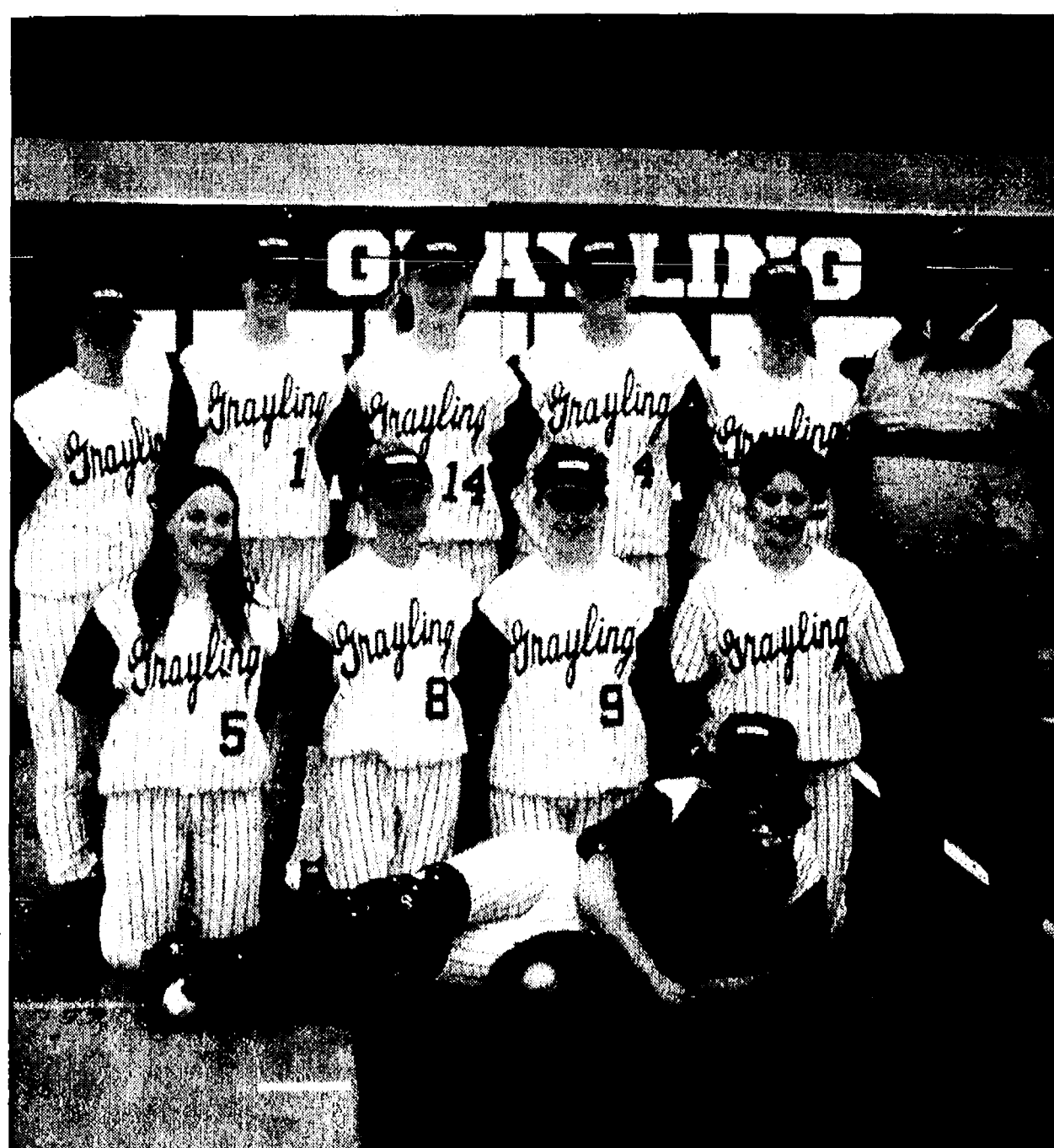
Hawley tied for 4th at Regionals in the high jump event. She cleared the bar at 4'9".

The girls track team will compete in the North East Michigan Conference Meet on Wednesday, May 21, at Standish Sterling Central.



Jessica Green

JV Softball Team



The GHS junior varsity softball team: (front) Andrea Southard; (middle, left to right) Erica Parker, Erica Fenn, Jenny Long, Kelly Rogers; (back, left to right) Ashley Prosser, Jaimi Drudge, Jenni Emmons, Kelly Dunckley, Natalie Christman, Coach Loren Bass.

Varsity Softball Team



The GHS varsity softball team: (front, left to right) Lori Ellis, Patti Martella, Lexi Bondar; (middle, left to right) Skylynn Palmer, Megan Madill, Emily Harvey, Laura Gorski; (back, left to right) Coach Donna Boughner, Heather Metzger, Chelsea Wolcott, Angeanette Lovely, Andria Alvarez, Coach Arica Wolcott.



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Vikings split with TCSF, East Jordan

► Grayling wins 10-9, falls 17-2 in series vs. Traverse City St. Francis

The GHS varsity baseball team split doubleheaders with both Traverse City St. Francis and East Jordan last week.

On Monday, the Vikings won game one of the series 10-9 but lost game two 17-2 vs. TC St. Francis.

In game one, Grayling scored three runs in the first inning. D.J. Metzger led off with a single, stole second, and moved to third on a single by Wakeley. Metzger scored on a sacrifice fly by Joe Lange. Wakeley advanced to second on a wild pitch and scored on a single by Roy Czapek. Czapek scored on a single by Greg Morrill.

TCSF got on the board in the second inning with a homerun. In Grayling's half of the inning, Metzger singled, took second on a passed ball, and scored on a single by Wakeley.

The Vikings scored three more runs in the third inning on a walk, two errors by TC, and a single by Gibson Tobin.

St. Francis scored one run in the fifth inning, leaving the score at Grayling 7, TCSF 4.

Traverse City scored five runs in the top of the sixth on four walks, three hits, and three passed balls.

Grayling came back to win with a two-out rally in the bottom of the sixth. Kaiser walked. Wakeley singled. Lange singled to drive in Kaiser. Czapek was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Morrill walked to force in Wakeley, tying the game at 9-9. Ryan Davis walked to force in the winning run.

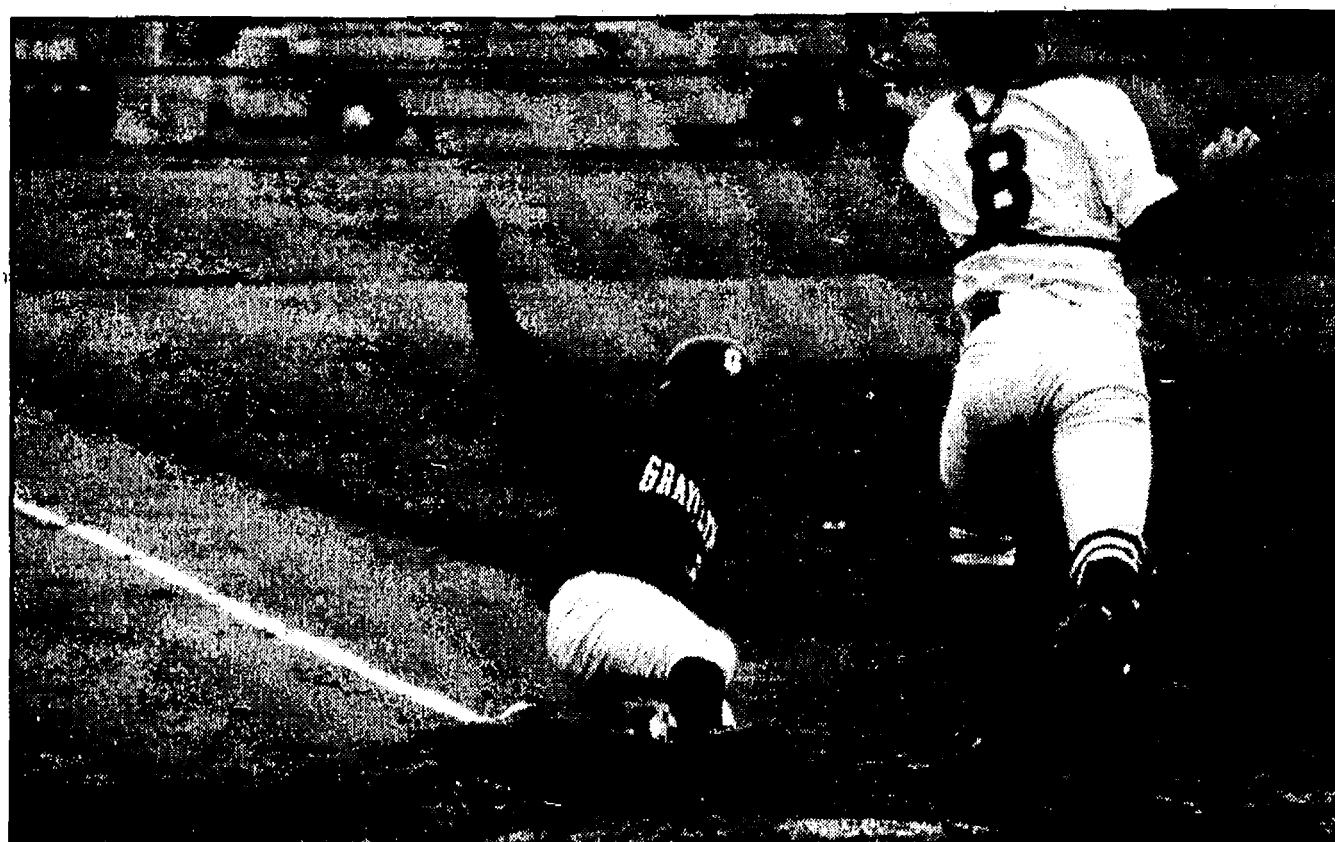
Wakeley picked up the win pitching in relief.

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Photos by Caleb Casey

Chris Wakeley puts the ball in play vs. Traverse City St. Francis in a varsity baseball series at GHS last Monday.

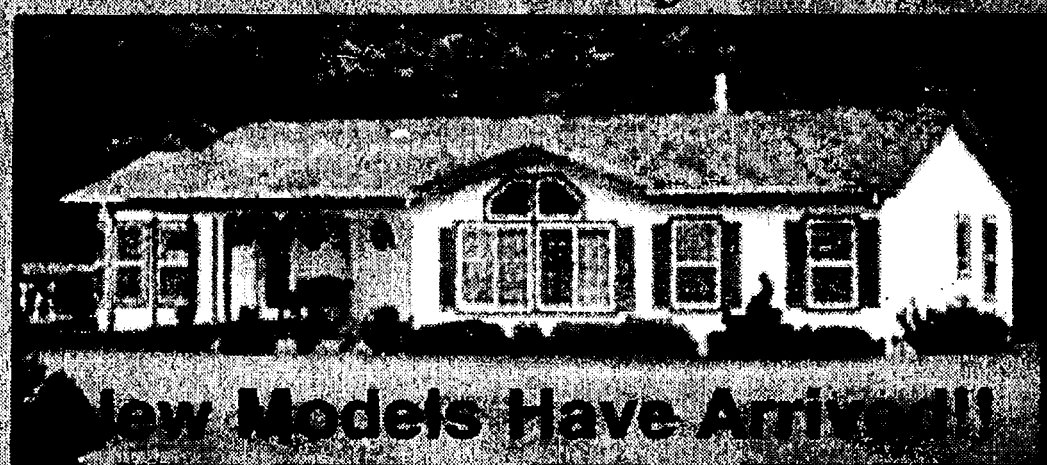


D.J. Metzger slides into home plate for Grayling in game one of the doubleheader against Traverse City St. Francis.



Matt Strohpaal crosses the plate for Grayling in the series vs. TCSF.

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Vikings compete in Regionals

► Boys track team shut out in quest for State Finals berths

Grayling High School's boys track team competed in Regionals at Gaylord this past

Saturday. A few Vikings placed well, but none qualified for the State Finals.

"Our expectations were high for the State Finals. We had some guys that came close. I'm proud of my guys - they worked hard all year," said Coach Darnell Wilson. "We have a young team - the majority are sophomores

and freshmen. Within the next two years, we will have a powerhouse team."

Tyler Cragg just missed making the 100-meter dash finals. Ryan Schmidt finished just outside the top eight in 300-meter hurdles. "Both of them did a really good job," Coach Wilson added.

Tim Umlor (discus) was the highest ranked sophomore at the meet. "He should contend for a state championship in the next two years," Coach Wilson said.

"These guys really stepped it up this year," Coach Wilson added.

The Vikings compete in the NEMC meet this week.

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Vikings split with TCSF, East Jordan

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Leading hitters for GHS were: Wakeley, 3 for 4, 1 RBI; Metzger, 2 for 4; Lange, 1 for 3, 2 RBI; Czapek, 2 for 2, 1 RBI; Morrill, 1 for 3, 2 RBI; Davis, 1 for 3, 2 RBI; Joe Zelek, 2 RBI.

In game two, TCSF erupted for 13 hits (3 HR, 1 3B, 3 2B) and drew four walks in a 17-2 victory over GHS.

On Tuesday, the Vikings split a doubleheader in Grayling vs. East Jordan.

East Jordan won game one of the series 12-3. The team had 13 hits (2 HR, 3 2B) and got help from five Grayling errors.

Leading hitters for the Vikings were: Tobin, 2 for 3, 1 RBI; Andy Strohpaal, 2 for 3; Wakeley, 2 RBI.

Game two, a seesaw battle, was won by Grayling by a final score of 10-9.

Strohpaal, now 3-1 on the mound for GHS this season, picked up the win. He pitched all six innings, scattering 11 hits and one walk, and striking out seven.

In the first inning, Grayling got on the board with a homerun by Kaiser. Davis singled, reached second on an error, and scored on a single by Czapek. Czapek stole second and scored on a single by Morrill. Morrill stole a base, then scored on a fielder's choice hit by Tobin.

East Jordan countered with three unearned runs on three GHS errors.

The Vikings scored two runs in the third inning on a homerun by Lange and a single by Strohpaal. GHS led 7-6.

In the fourth, East Jordan scored three to take a 9-7 lead.

The Vikings tied the game at 9-9 with RBI singles by Tobin and Strohpaal in the fifth inning.

Strohpaal got East Jordan out one-two-three. The Vikings won the game on a two-out single by Lange that scored Czapek.

Leading hitters for GHS were: Lange, 3 for 4 (1 HR), 2 RBI;

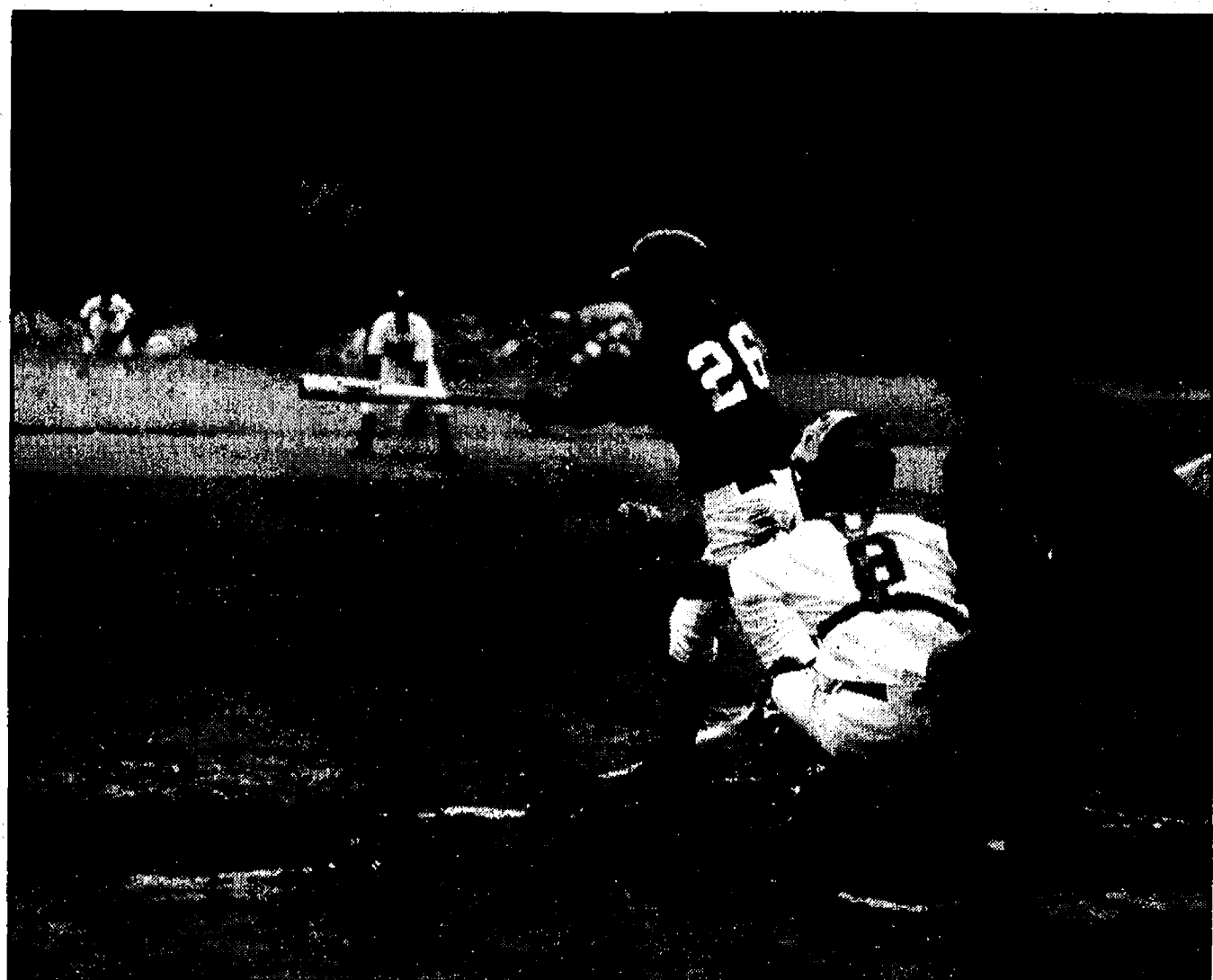


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D.J. Metzger hits the ball for Grayling in the TCSF series on Monday.

Morrill, 2 for 2, 1 RBI; Tobin, 2 for 3, 2 RBI, 6 stolen bases; Strohpaal, 3 for 3, 2 RBI.

At Pinconning on Friday, the Vikings lost 13-3, 5-4.

Grayling out-hit the Spartans 10-7 in game one but stranded eight runners. Pinconning had a grand slam homerun in the second inning and a three-run homer in the fifth.

Leading hitters for Grayling in game one were: Metzger, 2 for 3; Kaiser, 2 for 3; Lange, 2 for 3 (1 HR), 2 RBI.

In game two, "Roy Czapek

threw a beautiful game only to lose it on four unearned runs," Coach Bob Gorski said.

The Vikings had four errors in the match - including one in the fourth inning that allowed the winning run to score for Pinconning.

In the first inning, GHS scored on a sacrifice fly by Lange that scored Kaiser.

Grayling scored three in the third inning on a single by Davis and a walk to Morrill followed by a double by Kaiser and a single by Wakeley. Pinny scored

three unearned runs in the bottom of the third to tie the game at 4-4.

The Spartans took the lead in the fourth on a two-out error by Grayling's outfield.

In the last inning, Pinconning got out of trouble with a double play on a line drive and a warning track catch in the outfield.

Leading hitters for Grayling were: Kaiser, 2 for 3, 2 RBI; Wakeley, 1 for 3, 1 RBI.

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Golf team defeats Hillman, Rosco

On May 7, the Vikings of Grayling High School defeated Roscommon and Hillman in a varsity girls golf meet at Grayling Country Club. Final team scores were: Grayling, 220; Hillman, 228; Roscommon, 283.

Grayling's 220 was the team's best score so far this season.

Kim Mitchell led Grayling with a 49. Mallory Olson shot a 51, June Clark finished at 55, and Jessie Morley ended the day at 65.

On May 5, the Vikings finished 3rd out of five teams at the Hillman Invitational. Final team scores were: Traverse City Central, 462; Alpena, 465; Grayling, 490; Rudyard, 503; Hillman, 513.

Individually, Mitchell earned a medal by finishing in the top 10. She placed 4th with a score of 110 (for 18 holes).

"It rained all day and I was so proud of the way the girls performed despite the cold, wet weather," Coach Tanya Wolcott said.

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Viking of the Week

Girls Golf
Coach: Tanya Wolcott
KIM MITCHELL

Kim, as team captain, has shown leadership skills on and off the course. She has placed in the top two positions for Grayling at every meet. "We will miss her next year," her coach said.

Heads Up North

Viking of the Week

Varsity Baseball
Coach: Bob Gorski
ANDY STROHPAAL

Andy batted 6 for 13 last week (.461) and posted his third victory of the season on the mound for GHS in a game against East Jordan. He is 3-1 as a pitcher this year.

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Grayling catcher Emily Harvey checks a runner at third base in last Monday's series against Traverse City St. Francis.

Softball team falls to TCSF, East Jordan

► Vikings lose 8-2, 14-3 vs. East Jordan in Grayling on Tuesday

The GHS varsity softball team lost both games of recent double-headers vs. East Jordan and Traverse City St. Francis.

Last Tuesday, in a make-up game originally scheduled for May 5, the Vikings lost to East Jordan 8-2, 14-3 at GHS.

Laura Gorski pitched game one for Grayling and Chelsea Wolcott pitched the second game of the doubleheader.

"(Skylynn) Palmer had a great night - she was on base 3 of 5 times and scored two runs. (Kelly) Dunckley hit the ball and she had some key stolen bases. Emily Harvey had three

stolen bases and scored a run. (Heather) Metzger was on base 3 of 6 times and scored a run," Coach Donna Boughner said. "(Patti) Martella made a great catch in left. Metzger had a solid defensive game with six assists."

On Monday, the Vikings fell to Traverse City St. Francis 16-0, 14-0 at GHS.

Lexi Bondar and Dunckley both batted 1 for 2 in game one.

Gorski pitched for Grayling. "(On defense) Metzger and Harvey made a great rundown play," Coach Boughner said. "Palmer had seven put-outs."

Wolcott and Megan Madill pitched in game two for the Vikings.

On defense, Gorski had eight put-outs, Dunckley had four assists, and "Bondar had three great catches for outs," Boughner said.

The Vikings lost a series at Harbor Springs 16-6, 14-3 on May 8.

Gorski pitched game one and Wolcott pitched game two.

In game one, Metzger was the leading hitter for GHS at 3 for 3 (including a double) with 3 RBI. Martella and Dunckley each batted 1 for 3 and scored 1 run apiece. Bondar was 1 for 2 with 2 runs scored. Andrea Southard and Harvey each scored a run.

On defense, Palmer had six put-outs.

In game two, leading hitters for GHS were: Metzger, 1 for 1, 1 RBI; Martella, 1 for 2, 2 runs scored; Bondar, 1 for 1, 1 run scored.

Palmer had eight put-outs on defense.

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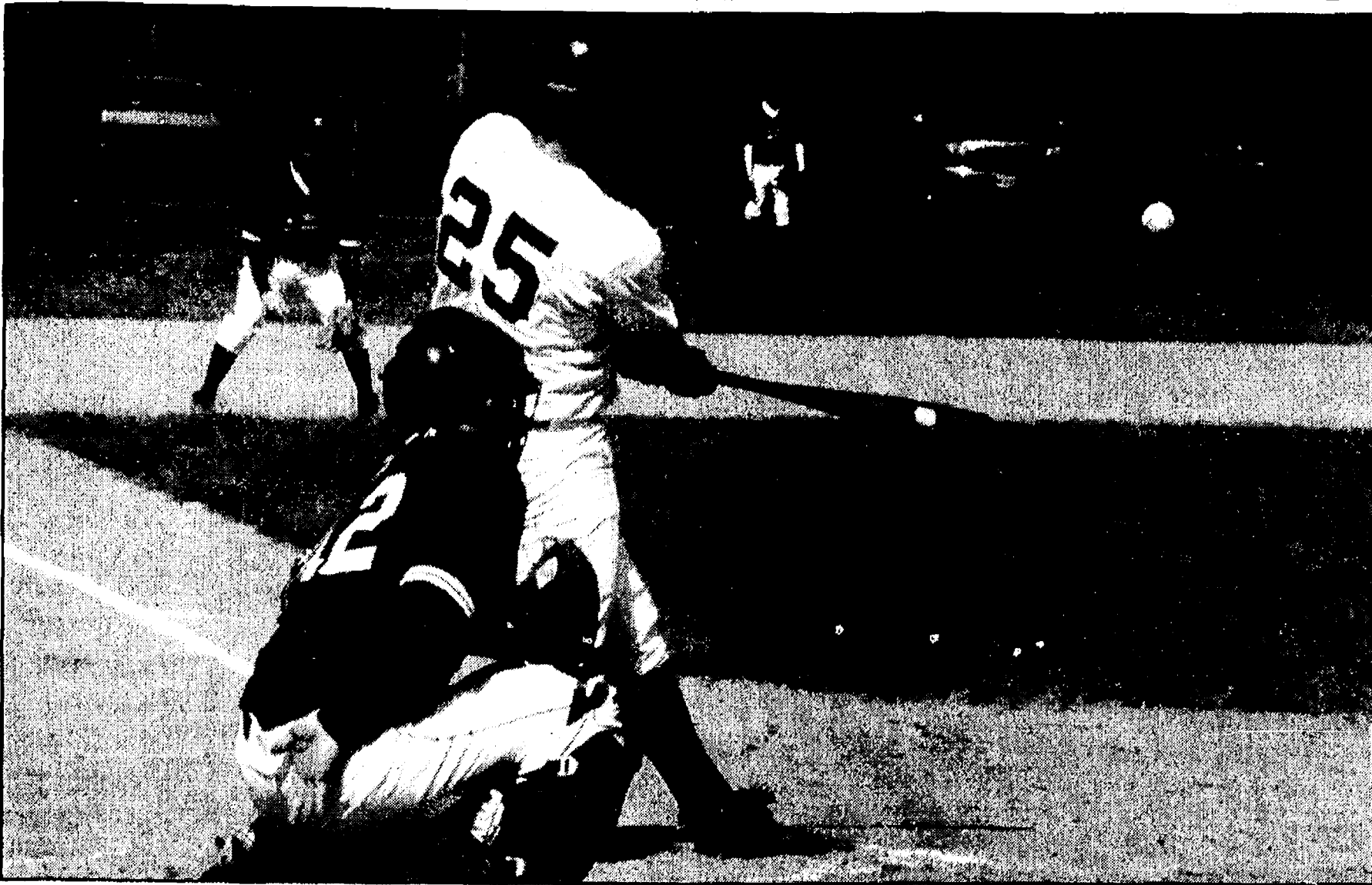
Grayling leftfielder Patti Martella throws the ball to the infield during Monday's series vs. TCSF.

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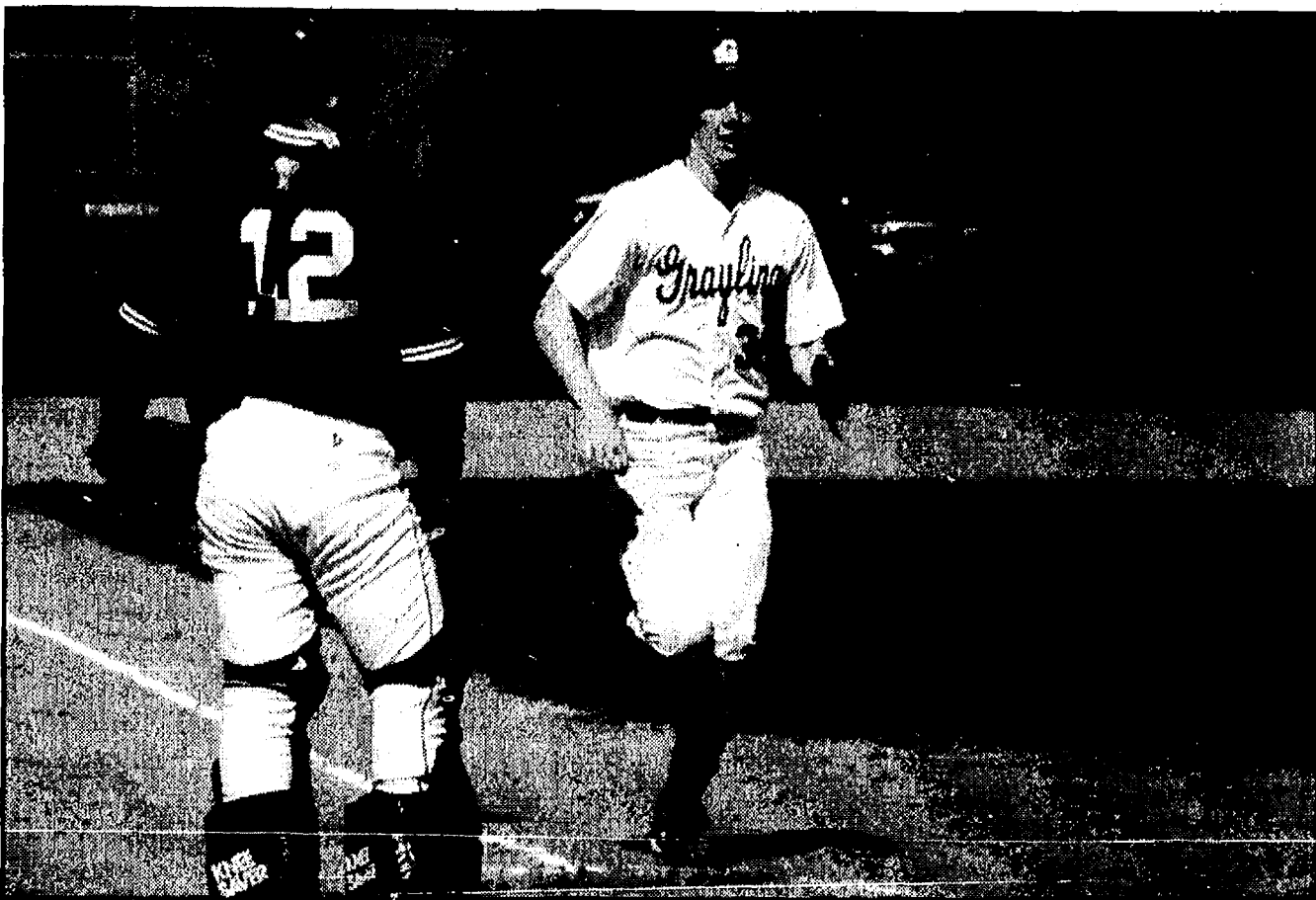
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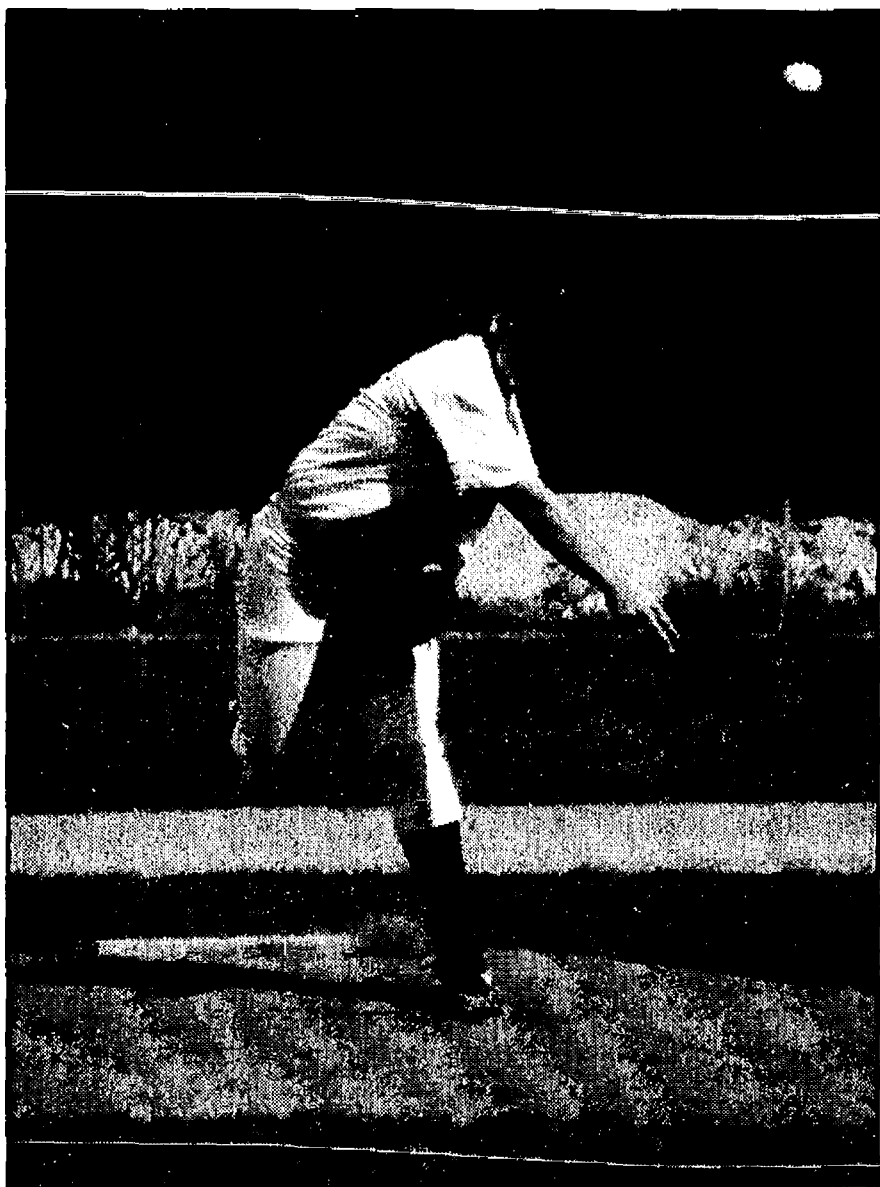
JV baseball team hosts Spartans of Pinconning



Matt Swope hits the ball for Grayling in last Thursday's JV baseball series vs. the Spartans of Pinconning at GHS.



Bobby Starks scores a run for Grayling's JV team in game one of the Pinconning series.



Jason Strohpaal pitches for the Vikings against Pinconning on Thursday.

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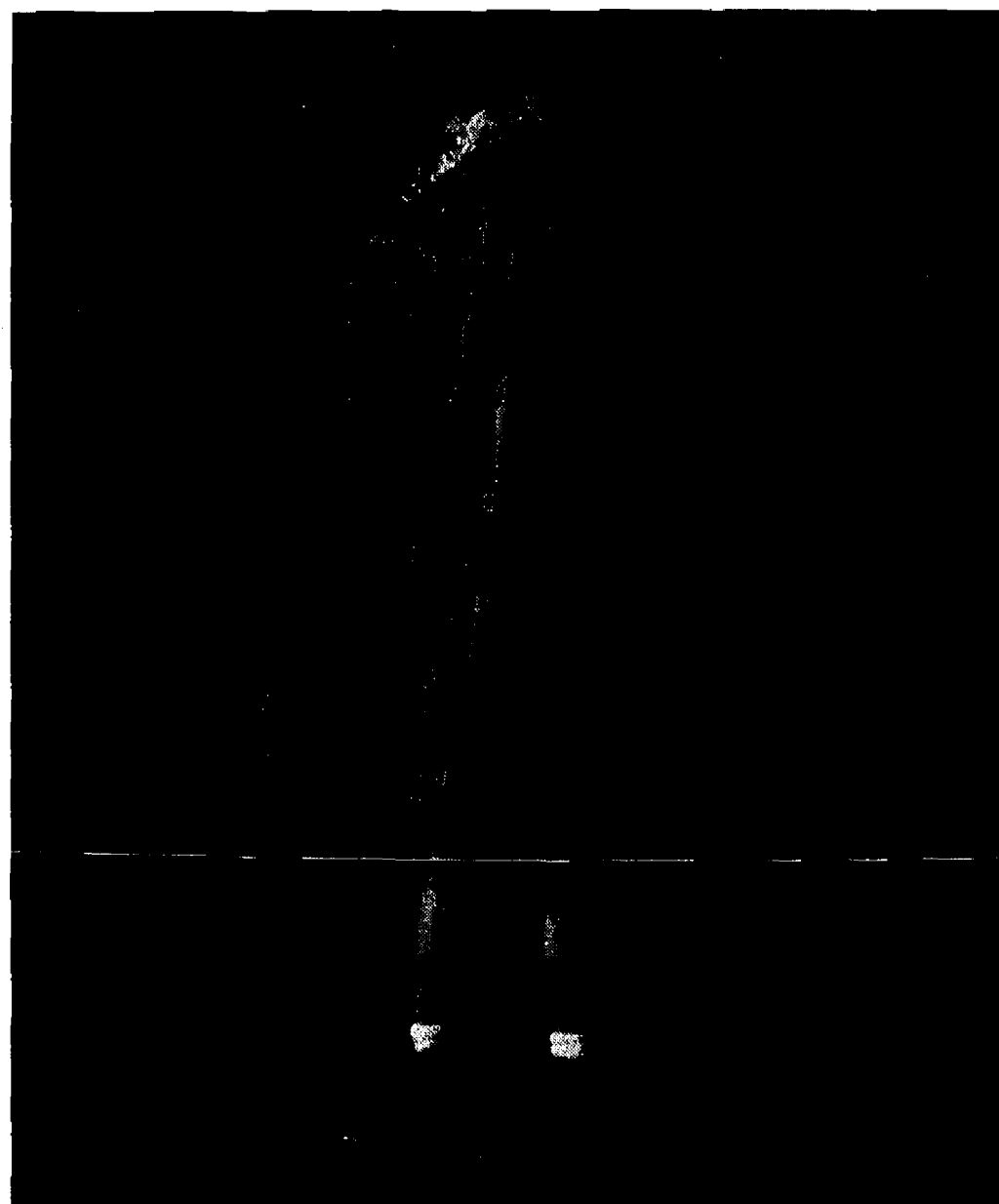
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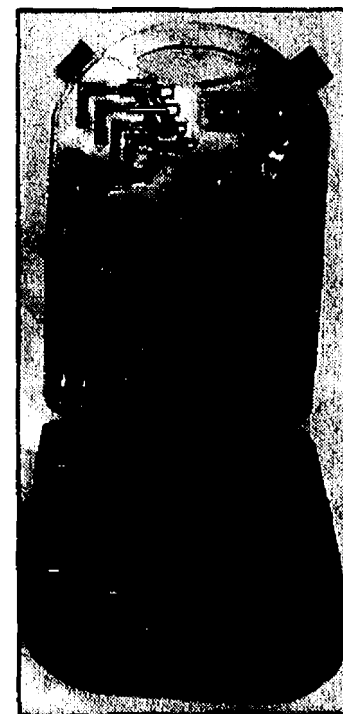


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Kirtland adds cross country

► College is looking for a coach to lead its latest addition

ROSCOMMON - Kirtland Community College is adding cross country to its growing list of sports, athletic director Glen Donahue recently announced. Competition begins in the

fall.

"We just finished our second season as a member of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association, and according to the terms of our agreement with the league it is a requirement that we add a fourth sport," Donahue said. "We already are participating in basketball for both men and women and we also offer a coed golf program."

Kirtland chose cross country primarily because Northern Michigan high schools are highly competitive in the sport and many talented young women and men an opportunity to compete at the next level.

"The cross country teams in our (C.O.O.R.) district are highly respected, those in the immediate area surrounding us are of equally high quality," Donahue

said. "For that reason, I expect we'll be a formidable competitor in the league from Day One."

The college also is looking for a cross country coach. The position was recently posted.

Anyone interested in information regarding the program should call Kirtland's Athletic Department at (989) 275-5000, Ext. 325.

Volunteers needed for Red Hacker

► Tournament at Kirtland College to be held on Saturday, May 31

ROSCOMMON - Kirtland's annual Red Hacker sandlot basketball tournament is looking for volunteers to help make it the success that hundreds of young players have come to expect.

One of the region's most popular playground hoops tournaments, Red Hacker returns to Kirtland on May 31. Organizers are looking for volunteers to help register participants, post results, distribute awards, sell concessions, and set up and take down equipment.

In the past two years, the three-on-three and four-on-four competition drew upwards of 80 teams of three-on-three and four-on-four competitions. Entry fees start at \$96 per team. All games are refereed.

Individual trophies are awarded to the top two teams in each category.

Every participant gets a T-shirt.

Registration entries must be postmarked by May 17 and will be accepted until May 25, 2003

for a \$10 late fee.

Proceeds are used to support Kirtland's athletic budget, which was recently cut because of state funding reductions.

For more information about volunteering for or competing in Kirtland's Red Hacker tournament, phone (989) 275-5000, ext. 202 or 825 or e-mail: sideboj@kirtland.edu

For more information about the Red Hacker's rules and other event dates, visit its website: www.mpsports.com

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

Submitted by Donna Thomson
Wednesday Ladies League

What a gorgeous day the Wednesday Ladies had on May 14! It started out pretty cool, but with the sun it warmed up in no time at all.

Today was our first "fun day" and our golf committee had us play "Scotch Doubles." What a great time we all had.

First place was taken by the team of Evie Kent and Mary Jane Knibbs, with a 46.

In second place with a score of 49 was the team of Gloria Neilson and Dorothy Walker.

There was a three-way tie with a 51 between the teams of Ilene Hatfield and Jeanette Kitchen, the team of Sally McNamara and Shirley Parker and the Team of Nancy Hoffman and Donna Thomson.

In fourth place with a 53 was Jane Haller and Ann Latusek.

We then had a nice lunch of a cup of tomato soup, a grilled cheese sandwich, with a pudding cake for dessert.

Well, until next week and hopefully continued warm weather that's all "fore" now.

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Students of the COOR Area Career Tech Center of COOR Intermediate School District will be honored at the annual award ceremony on May 20 at 1:15 p.m. The ceremony will take place in the G.I. Stewart Auditorium on the campus of Kirtland Community College. Each student will have successfully completed a year-long career and technical training program. They will be awarded certificates of completion proving the skills they are capable of performing in the workplace.



The honorees are juniors and seniors from area high schools of Crawford-AuSable, Gerrish-Higgins, Houghton Lake, West Branch-Rose City, Fairview Area and Mio AuSable districts. The students had to be recommended by their district in order to attend these training programs.

The programs include Automotive Technology, Cosmetology, Educational Occupations, Health Occupations, Public Safety/Protective Services, Recreational Engine, Visual Imaging Technology, and Welding Technology. Each program prepares students with entry-level job, work ethic and employability skills identified by local community business and industry advisory board members, and state or federal guidelines. Career exploration through virtual and actual field trips, career shadowing a community member in the workplace, Internet searches, and other means is also a component of each program.



Certificates of completion are issued for each successful program completor identifying all skills attained. Students will have been evaluated for their academic performance including theory and laboratory coursework. The academic portion of a student's overall grade is 60 percent. They are also evaluated daily on their work ethic including attendance/punctuality and time management, cooperation and personal management, positive attitude, and following directions and safety practices. Students can also earn merit points toward their grade with good attendance. Students with perfect or outstanding attendance and academic excellence will receive specific recognition on their certificate of completion.

Students with perfect attendance include Brandie Blacker, Michael Emig, Angela Fishell, Brett Fowler, Ashley Frydrych, Matt Gubancsik, Jesse Handrich, Justin MacAuley, Arlen Murray, Eric Nugent, Lacey Owen, Sarah Pegouskie, Heidi Winton, and Ashley Yantz. Students with outstanding attendance include Quentin Atkinson, Amber Awrey, Ashley Bissland, Cortni Burkhart, Daniel Card, Mark Cdebaca, Amber Egbers, Patricia Ehinger, Bobby Fowler, Courtenay Gillman, Julee Green, Keith Gretzler, William Harrington, KC Kinder, Josh Koch, Elise Maier, Gary McBride, Carley Mikula, Devin Miller, Annette Morris, Tressa Ney, Ryan Pahl, Brian Phillips, Jason Ralston, Lacy Romska, Sabrina Ross, Brentin Schalm, Heather Sieja, Emily Small, Kassie Steele, Brad Storton, Nicole Taylor, Brett Toth, Stacey Zettel, and Heather Zimmerman. Students achieving academic excellence may include Amber Awrey, Brandie Blacker, Paula Duff, Ashley Egan, Amber Egbers, Patricia Ehinger, Michael Emig, Angela Fishell, Ashley Frydrych, Courtenay Gillman, Keith Gretzler, Matt Gubancsik, Jesse Handrich, Kasha Hawkins, Pat Hawley, Cimber Howard, Elizabeth Hyland, KC Kinder, Elise Maier, Gary McBride, Shelly Medford, Carley Mikula, Annette Morris, Tressa Ney, Eric Nugent, Lacey Owen, Ryan Pahl, Sarah Pegouskie, Kelly Poe, Dan Reitmeyer, Lacy Romska, Sabrina Ross, Jamie Russell, Brentin Schalm, Heather Sieja, Emily Small, Kassie Steele, Brad Storton, Nicole Taylor, Margie Utter, Stacey Valentine, Zach VanNuck, Andrea Vogel, Heidi Winton, Ashley Yantz, Stacey Zettel, and Heather Zimmerman.



Most of the content of each course reflects the same content taught in Kirtland Community College classes. Because of this, Kirtland provides articulation opportunities for each course. If a student successfully completes a course, the student is eligible to earn college and high school credit. Next year, recommended students will have the opportunity to dual-enroll directly in college classes for a second-year option. Students will gain high school and college credit for successful completion of the college classes.



The program of Automotive Technology is mainly a hands-on course designed to familiarize the student with automotive design, production, operation, testing, servicing such as safety practices, basic hand tools, technical reference materials, cooling systems, lubrication systems, charging and starting system parts, and performance of basic service procedures during the first semester. Second semester provides instruction in automotive brake system theory and service. Technician certification on the state and national levels are addressed. Automotive Service Excellence Certification is a possible employability outcome. Eligible students can receive college credit for Automotive Fundamentals and Automotive Braking Systems from Kirtland Community College.



Cosmetology I demonstrates all aspects an individual would need to have in a career as a cosmetologist/hair stylist. Hands-on work as well as bookwork will prepare the student for college-level cosmetology. See Cosmetology II for specific skills to be learned. Students who successfully complete the course earn approximately 350 hours toward State licensure and may be eligible for articulated college credit. Students participate in the annual COOR/KCC competition as well as field trips to a hair show and spa.



Students in Educational Occupations learn to promote children's healthy growth and development by providing a secure and loving environment filled with age-appropriate activities in areas like music, language and literacy, mathematical thinking, technology, arts, cooking and gross and fine motor skills. Students will participate in and sponsor activities at local schools. Upon completion students will have developed the portfolio components required to obtain the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential. Other professional certification preparation is available as well.



The Medical Occupations program introduces students to most health careers and encourages students to study the health field that interests them personally. All students are introduced to medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, health care systems, vital signs, infection control, first aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), medical ethics, and workplace safety. In addition, students work on an employment portfolio and employability skills including communication. Students are eligible for American Red Cross certification in CPR and Automated Electronic Defibrillator (AED).



Public Safety/Protective Services prepares students to pursue careers in police science, corrections, private security, fire science and emergency first aid/CPR/AED skills. Classroom work, field training, mentoring and hands-on experience are key components of the course. Students are exposed to an extensive review of the criminal justice and protective service systems. Students are eligible for a Michigan DNR certification as a wildfire fighter (United States and Canada), American Red Cross certification in CPR and AED.



Visual Imaging Technology is divided into three areas including photography, computer aided imagery, and drawing and illustration. In photography, the basic technical skills of photography as a creative medium for personal expression are taught. Computer aided imagery teaches two of the "industry standard" software programs, Quark Xpress and Adobe Photoshop. Students learn page layout from business cards to brochures. They will be able to not only sample and color correct pictures, but create posters exclusively in Photoshop and/or with the aid of Quark Xpress. The drawing sequence will stress the process of drawing as an imitation of nature through eye-hand coordination. Emphasis is on linear construction with concern for accurate proportion and positive-negative/figure-ground relationships. The basic black and white and color media illustration techniques with exploration in figurative drawing, media techniques, color and composition, spatial relationships, and conceptual progress of page layout will also be covered. In Visual Imaging Technology II, students receive advanced training in drawing and illustration, photography, and/or computer aided imagery. Animation, and comic book and children book illustration could be taught if related to student's career goal.



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The GHS varsity girls soccer team: (front, left to right) Michele Belcher, Ashley Bancroft, Monica Safin; (middle, left to right) Tracey Lewis, Beth Lucey, Megan Fekete, Jessica Pfaff, Chelsea Currinston, Kim Long, Elyse Zupko; (back, left to right) Jill Seager, Casey Mahaffy, Chelsea VanNuck, Coach John Haven, Emily Dunkley, Vicki King, Joni Welch.

Soccer team falls to Boyne 2-1

Grayling High School's varsity girls soccer team lost a close match against the visiting

Ramblers of Boyne City last Friday at GHS by a final score of 2-1.

Jill Seager, a freshman, scored a goal for Grayling in the match. Goalkeeper Ashley Bancroft posted 18 saves for the Vikings.

"Grayling played very well against a good Boyne City team," Coach John Haven said. "The entire team played with as much enthusiasm as I've seen. It showed with offensive pressure much of the game and Grayling scoring first on a break-away by Jill Seager up the middle. Other attacks by Seager, Chelsea VanNuck, and Kim Long were unsuccessful. Midfielder Casey Mahaffy helped keep the ball downfield and also had a shot on goal."

"The defense stayed strong throughout the game. Most of Boyne City's shots were not very strong thanks to the aggressive play of the back line. Emily Dunkley rarely let the ball get past her. Jessica Pfaff, Tracey Lewis, and Joni Welch completed the defensive shield," Coach Haven said.

Last Wednesday, a short-hand-

ed Grayling team lost to a strong West Branch Ogemaw Heights squad 10-0 at West Branch.

"With five starters out with injury or illness, Grayling played with no bench players available for substitution. I give these girls a lot of credit for doing the best they can and never giving up," said Coach Haven. "West Branch Ogemaw Heights is undefeated with 11 wins this season. Their speed and sharp passing throughout the roster shows why they're on top."

Bancroft had 28 saves in the Ogemaw game.

On Monday, the Vikings lost 6-0 at Pinconning.

Bancroft had 14 saves.



On offense, Long had two shots on goal for GHS. Monica Safin, VanNuck, Michele Belcher, and Megan Fekete each had one shot on goal.

"So far, this is our best offensive performance of the season. Although no goals were scored, I'm very proud of our forwards and midfielders for keeping the ball at that end of the field for much of the game," said Coach Haven. "Our defense was strong also, keeping the score 2-0 at the half. Casey Mahaffy and Tracey Lewis kept the ball out of the middle, easing the pressure on Ashley."

The Vikings play at Bay City John Glenn on Wednesday, May 21.

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Varsity Girls Soccer
Coach: John Haven

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Casey is strong at defense and midfield. She is always quick to the ball and consistently blocks shots and moves the ball out of the defensive end. Tracey, a defender, keeps the ball away from the goal with solid consistency. She seems to have more energy toward the end of the game.

LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 28th day of April 2003 Grayling, Michigan

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Wyman at 7:30 PM.

II. Members Present: Wyman, Wellman, Moshier, Hayes, Palmer

Members Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Michele Moshier, City Clerk, Caleb Casey, Carl Lehto, Lynn McConnell, Doug Meroney, Gerald Respecki, Carolyn DiPonio, Sharon Klinger, John Dobry, Nancy Hunt, Steve Langseth.

III. Public Hearing.

A. Mayor Wyman opened the public hearing regarding the 2003-2004 Budget at 7:33 PM. Mr. Respecki inquired about the budget allowing for the City Patrol car being out at Danish Landing Road. There being no other questions or comments regarding the 2003-2004 budget, Mayor Wyman closed the public hearing at 7:35 PM.

B. Mayor Wyman opened the public hearing regarding Ordinance #25 Section 10, special rates subsection at 7:35 PM. Mr. Respecki thinks that the City should look into using sewer meters instead of water meters. There being no other questions or comments regarding the proposed ordinance change, Mayor Wyman closed the public hearing at 7:43 PM.

03-88

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wyman to amend Ordinance #25, Section 10, Special Rates subsection to read as follows:

The rate for all nonmetered sewer customers shall be set at \$100.00 per quarter beginning June 1, 2003. Thereafter, the rate is subject to adjustment annually by resolution of the City Council.

The City will provide the water meter and meter horns for any customers who choose to have their sewer consumption charged by actual usage. The customer will be responsible for connecting the meter to the water source. At the option of the customer, the City will provide that connection at a cost of \$100.00, if that request is made before June 1, 2003. The fee will be added to the water bill and is payable to the City by June 1, 2004. After that date, the fee would be spread to the property tax for that parcel.

Roll Call Vote: Hayes: Aye, Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Nay, Wyman: Aye.

Wellman: Nay, motion carried.

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda.

A. Training Seminar, "Small Town Success Strategies"

B. Thank You Letter to Terry McGregor

C. MML Annual Convention

D. VFW Proclamation

E. NEMCOG Minutes from March 20, 2003

F. Crawford County Transportation Authority Resolution

G. Letter from Chief Schreiner-Re: Nuisance Ordinance

H. Letter from Parks Committee

I. Bid Tabulation for Fire Department 03-89

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Moshier that the Consent Agenda be approved as amended; moving item "J" Letter from Steve Langseth to New Business. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

V. Approval of Council Minutes 03-90

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes that the minutes of the meeting of April 14, 2003 be approved as amended. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

VI. Old Business.

A. The City Clerk has received one application for the vacancy on the Parks Committee. Council would like to run the ad one more week in the *Avalanche*. 03-91

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to appoint Sharon Davis to the Parks Committee. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

The City Council would like City Manager, Allen Lowe, to let the job of repairing the slab at the Pavilion out for bids.

03-92

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Moshier to accept the 3-year contract from Kenmark, Inc. for \$3,984 and increasing an additional \$500 to include an additional 4 Decorations for City Boulevard. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

B. City Manager, Allen Lowe, has contacted all three local Realtors to have a Market Analysis done on the Old City Hall Building. Re/MAX and Coldwell Banker are interested in doing a Market Analysis; and Century 21 has declined. Allen will have more information when the Market Analysis is finished.

C. Integrity Construction Services provided a Building Update report.

D. Citizens Bank is o.k. with financing half of what their original proposal was for and with the same terms and rate. The bank has made arrangements with Terry McGregor, City Treasurer for trans-

ferring the money.

E. The Council would like Larry Hunter, City Assessor, to give the assessed values of the proposed options are that Fred Fedak and Susan Hayes have presented to them for the Shoppenagons Parking lot.

A suggestion was made by Mr. Respecki to look into using angle parking along Peninsular.

F. Planning Training Session has been scheduled for June 2, 2003 at 6:30 PM for the City Council, Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. The training will take place in the New City Chambers at the New City Hall.

G. Steve Langseth presented a letter from Brad Butcher of Butcher & Associates regarding the bid opening for the New Fire Station. 03-93

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Wellman to delegate the authority to the City Manager, Allen Lowe to award the contract upon recommendation of the Fire Chief, Duane Brooks and Butcher & Associates. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Industrial Park Update by Steve Langseth showed the conclusion of the Planning Grant for the Industrial Park. Allen will contact MEDC to inquire of them attending a City Council meeting to educate everyone on their process and standards.

H. Mary Ann Ferrigan sent a letter to the City Council requesting that they address the issue of the encroachment of her building at 108 Burton Court onto the property that the City recently purchased from the McNamara's. She is also interested in purchasing an additional portion for a fair price. The Council would like to get some clarifications and then bring back to the next meeting.

VII. New Business.

A. Resolution-Rasmus Hanson Day WHEREAS, on May 2, 1913 the Hanson Military Reservation came into being by passage of an Act of the State of Michigan, and

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Council was unaware of any of the accusations and have asked that the City Manager, Allen Lowe investigate this further.

Nancy Hunt planned on doing something with the parking lot behind Spikes and the Abstract office.

Nancy Hunt inquired as to whether or not the City had an ordinance against kids playing in the street. A co-worker felt as though her kids were being harassed about playing in the street. Nancy Hunt inquired as to whether or not the planters for GUDA have been ordered. Doug Meroney has the planters ordered.

Nancy Hunt also inquired whether there has been any more discussion on the DDA. She was informed that the waiting period is not up yet.

Doug Meroney thanked the City for the street sign post at the corner of Michigan Avenue and James Street.

Doug Meroney also commented on the planters for downtown.

Doug Meroney wanted to know the progress of the asphalt repair for the Business Loop. He inquired whether the repairs would be done and lines painted before the Memorial Day weekend.

Lynne McConnell inquired on Young Street in the Industrial Park.

IX. Reports from ZBA, Planning Committee, Parks Committee

ZBA:

•None.

Planning Commission:

•D&K Investments submitted a site plan.

•Doorways of the North submitted a site plan.

In the process of creating handout packets that would be pre-made for each zoning district which would give the requirements for site plan review.

Will have the final reading of the sign ordinance at the next meeting before submitting to the council for a public hearing.

Parks Committee:

•None.

X. Reports from Manager & Council Members.

Manager Report:

Met with Waste Management about doing test areas using the totes. The City and Waste Management will send a joint letter notifying users that they have been chosen to test the totes. A questionnaire will also get sent to everyone in the test area evaluating the ease of use and the convenience or inconvenience.

Council Member Reports:

Palmer inquired about the maintenance program in the City Streets.

Moshier stated that the Industrial Park Committee met on Saturday, April 26 with D & K Investments.

03-97

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to continue Young Street an additional 770 feet with the gravel road, later updating to tar and chips with a cul-de-sac at the end. Roll Call Vote: Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Aye, Wyman: Nay, Wellman, Aye, Hayes: Aye, motion carried.

03-98

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to authorize the City Manager to pursue the clean up and spend what is necessary for cleaning up the additional contaminants found at the Grayling Reel site. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Hayes reported that he received a verbal value in the form of a Market Analysis from an appraiser, Ron Fiebelkorn, on the pole barn at the Grayling Reel property of \$54,000.

Wellman wanted to know if the clean up was done at the pole barn and thinks that the council should get a price in mind that they want for the property.

03-99

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to put the Grayling Reel pole barn property for sale by bid in the newspaper with the right to refuse all bids. Bids to be due at the City Clerk's office on May 23, 2003 at 2:00 PM. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Wyman inquired about how many bids we have received for the Assessor's position and when the Council needed to take action. City Manager Lowe informed him that we have received 3 or 4 proposals and that the Council did not need to take any action because according to the City Charter the City Manager hires the Assessor.

Wyman expressed concern with Doug Meroney's expectations on the road on the business loop and suggested that maybe he could attend the meeting with Leonard Graf and Rieth Riley.

Wyman inquired about the letter to Wendy McIntire. Allen said her email address did not work and he has not heard back from the letter that he sent.

Wyman also expressed concern with the letter from Chief Schreiner regarding the nuisance ordinance.

XI. Adjournment

03-100

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 PM.

Michele A. Moshier
City Clerk

LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN DISTRICT COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY FAILURE TO APPEAR

200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738

Case No. 03-1619-SC-1

Value Corral-Plaintiff

2370 S. Otsego Ave

Gaylord, MI 49735

989-732-3498

vs
Kimberley Ann Sitarski-Defendant

You are being sued.

Appearance date: 6-9-03

Appearance time: 8:30 am

Place: District Courtroom

200 W. Michigan Ave

Grayling, MI 49738

989-344-3800

Failure to appear by defendant in the civil case may result in a default judgment being entered.

If you intend to employ a lawyer/s/he should be notified of the date at once.

-22-29-5

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN, OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice, sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service and cost of publication of this notice. The service and publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND: State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Parcel 1 Part of the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Sec 28 T25N R2W South Branch Twp, Comm at the E 1/4 cor of said Sec 28 th N 89d 18m W along the E & W 1/4 line 1646 ft to the pob th cont N 89d 18m W 329.20 ft th N 0d 04m 07s E 1329.24 ft to the N 1/8 line th S 89d 21m 20s E along the N 1/8 line 328.92 ft th S 0d 03m 26s W 1329.56 ft to the pob containing 10.04 ac. Also subject to & use of 66 ft rd & utility easement as recorded in L170 P120 & 121. Amount paid: 1995 taxes \$234.15, 1996 taxes \$242.33.

Amount necessary to redeem \$714.72 plus the fee of the sheriff, and the cost of legal publication.

Ronald and Joann McClain, 39463 Edgevale, Sterling Heights, MI 48313.
To: Lewis Sykes, last known address 16159 Sorrento, Detroit, MI 48235, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such land or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County, and to their heirs and assigns.

-15-22-29-5

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6628-DE
Estate of Roxey Michener, Deceased,
Date of birth: 04/05/22

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Roxey Michener, who lived at 5336 W. Six Mile Road, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died January 20, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Judith Clark, c/o David R. Sabin, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: May 8, 2003

David R. Sabin P19822

115 Michigan Avenue

Grayling, MI 49738

Judith Clark

1043 Markham Avenue

Fling, MI 48507

cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, without other additional cost of charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Maple Forest, Town 28 North Range 3 West, Section 16, Parcel C: Comm at N 1/4 cor of Sec 16, th N 89deg 38min W 814.46 ft. to POB, the S 0deg 18min E 671 ft, th N 89deg 38min W 165 ft, the N 0deg 19min west 671 ft, th S 89deg 38min East 165 ft to POB. 2.54 acres 100% Parcel Number: 20-020-016-005-070-00 100%

DEED NUMBER: 516
TAX FOR YEAR: 1996
AMOUNT PAID: \$136.47
AMOUNT NECESSARY
TO REDEEM: \$204.71 (plus sheriff fees)

(signed) Farm and Forest Enterprises DBA of Collin K Burnett, P.O. Box 784, Saline, MI 48176

-15-22-29-5

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6592DE
Estate of Clarence Joseph Sampier, Deceased, Date of birth: 04/28/18

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Clarence Joseph Sampier, who lived at 310 Golfview Drive, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died January 25, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Barbara Swope, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Kyle T. Legel P59523
2373 S. I-75 Business Loop
P.O. Box 665
Grayling, MI 49738
(989)348-5232
Barbara Swope
14950 Wampalers Lake Road
Brooklyn, MI 49230
(517)592-5321

-22-29-5

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Leesa K. Patterson, a single woman (original mortgagors) to Homestead USA, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 7, 1999, and recorded on May 17, 1999 in Liber 481 on Page 484 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, as assignee by an assignment dated May 17, 1999, which was recorded on July 23, 1999, in Liber 486 on Page 459 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Three Thousand Fifty-Six and 98/100 dollars (\$33,056.98), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in

said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 25, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 5, Block 24, Roffee's Addition to the Village (Now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 22, 2003

For information, please call:

Team S (248) 593-1304

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File #200319205

Team S

-22-29-05-12

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Arthur Hurst and Madeline Marie Chase, as joint tenants (original mortgagors) to Centex Home Equity Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 2, 2001, and recorded on February 12, 2001 in Liber 528 on Page 484 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Four and 84/100 dollars (\$14,954.84), including interest at 14.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel: A parcel of Land located in the West ten acres of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, being further described as follows: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West along the North line of said Section 1155.66 feet for a point of beginning; Thence continuing North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West 163.63 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds East along the West 1/8 line 443.62 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 17 seconds East 163.63 feet; thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds West 443.70 feet to the point of beginning. Be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

dance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2003

For information, please call:

Team F (248) 593-1313

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File #200226648

Team F

-15-22-29-5

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald B. Graham, an unmarried man (original mortgagors) to Rescue Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 16, 2000, and recorded on June 1, 2000 in Liber 509 on Page 51 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Citifinancial Mortgage Company, Assignee by an assignment dated March 24, 2003, which was recorded on April 16, 2003, in Liber 628 on Page 581, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Two and 04/100 dollars (\$65,462.04), including interest at 10.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 7, Block 10, Original Plat of The Village (now city) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003

For information, please call:

Team M (248) 593-1306

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File #200315652

-01-08-15-22

Foreclosure Notice

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by James M. Adams and Darlene J. Adams married of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Fifth Third Bank, successor-in-interest by merger to Old Kent Bank dated the 20th day of June, A.D. 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 30th day of June, A.D. 1997, in Liber 432 of Crawford Records, on page 488, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$23,290.36 (Twenty three thousand, Two hundred ninety dollars and thirty six cents) including interest there on at 8.00% (eight point zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of June, A.D., 2003, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The West 1/2 of Lot 46, McNamara's Valley No. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Tax ID: 20-064-541-000-090-01

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned, in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2003

Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co.

L.P.A.

Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)

Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee

Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co.

L.P.A.

756 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820

Troy, Michigan 48064

WWR02873412

-15-22-29-5-12

Mortgage Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian Calkins and Kim

Calkins, husband and wife to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2000, and recorded on November 7, 2000, in Liber 522, on page 346 Crawford County Records Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy three thousand three hundred forty four and 57/100 Dollars (\$73,344.57), including interest at 9.990% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 27, Skyline Heights, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of plats, page 32, Crawford County Records.

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 4, Town 31 North, Range 7 West, thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds. East 657.09 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 87 degrees 14 minutes 2 seconds West 330.00 feet; thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds East 260.00 feet, thence South 88 degrees 11 minutes 58 seconds, East 330.05 feet to the East line of said Section 4, thence South 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds, West along the East line of said Section 4 to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003

Attorney For: Mortgagee

Robert A. Tremain

& Associates, P.C.

401 South Old Woodward Avenue

Suite 300

Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

For information please call:

(248) 540-7701

Bank One, N.A.

Mortgagee

-01-08-15-22

Mortgage Sale

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify us at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis M. Bausman and Vicki L. Bausman, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Commonpoint Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated the 16th day of September, 1997 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 26th day of September, 1997 in Liber 438 of Crawford County Records, page 553, said Mortgage having been assigned to The Bank of New York, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated, as of November 30, 1997, Series 1997-D on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One & 91/100 (\$89,561.91), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of June, 2003 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.2500% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Situated in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford and in the Township of South Branch.

Being Lot 69, and part of Lots 60, 61 and 62 of the recorded plat of River Forest, being part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, of Section 21, part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28, and part of the North 1/2 of section 29, all in T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of lot 69 for a point of beginning; Thence North 33 degrees 46' West 167.00 feet; Thence North 24, degrees 09' West 82.2 feet; Thence North 50 degrees 18' East 200.00 feet; Thence North 60 degrees 11' East 100.00 feet; Thence South 17 degrees 15' East 37.6 feet; Thence South 32 degrees 40' East 204.74 feet; Thence South 43 degrees 28' West 60.2 feet; Thence 190.5 feet along the Arc of a 9 degree 28' 30" curve to the right, the long chord of which bears South 52 degrees 29' 30" West 189.71 feet; Thence South 61 degrees 31' West 50.0 feet to the point of beginning.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: May 8, 2003

Fabrizio & Brook, P.C.

Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)

Attorney for the Bank of New York

888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470

Troy, MI 48084

CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that I have scheduled a Zoning Board of Appeals Public hearing concerning a variance request from 708 Chestnut Street (20-070-182-013-005-00) to build a detached accessory building 1,280 square feet, which exceeds the maximum allowable ground floor area of 720 square feet.

The Public Hearing to consider this matter is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 2, 2003 at the Grayling City Office, 1020 City Boulevard. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend said Public Hearing and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case(s) at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 1020 City Boulevard, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele Moshier
City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR LETTER OF INTEREST FROM INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE CRAWFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

All citizens are advised that the Crawford County Transportation Authority (CCTA) is soliciting letters of interest from individuals willing to serve on its Board of Directors.

Terms of office for members of the Board of Directors are Six (6) years. There is currently one seat on the Board of Directors the term of office for which will expire on June 30, 2003. Term limitations do not exist for members of the CCTA Board of Directors, and the individual currently holding that office, Ms. Ruth O'Mara, is eligible for reappointment.

The Board of Directors meets monthly. A primary responsibility of the Board of Directors is to establish the policies governing the business, operations, property and affairs

FACTS AND FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
May 22, 1980

Grayling Mercy Hospital began moving patients into the hospital's new addition. Plans were also announced which reveal possible use of the new Emergency Room and Radiology Department facilities soon. The hospital's new addition is part of an \$8 million building and renovation program begun in the summer of 1978.

This Saturday, Robert C. Wilson, author of "Crooked Tree," will be at the Grayling Mercantile Company. Wilson is the great grandson of Nels Michelson, former Grayling lumberman, who donated the Michelson Memorial Methodist Church.

Marguerite Clark, Timbervue Village resident, was named Timbervue Mother of the Year. Mrs. Clark, now 80 years old, had been a fifty year resident of Roscommon.

The Grayling Middle School Girls Track Team is the new Michigan Huron Shores Girls Track Team champions. The victory was the first MSH-conference championship in Middle School history.

The Viking baseball club won a twinbill against Onaway last week. In the first game, Jerry Lucksted went the distance to record his third triumph. The second game was a victory, with

a score of 6-4 behind Perry D'Amour's 5 hitter.

Over 300 Guardsman and women from Camp Grayling's Headquarters, the 1438th Engineer Detachment and the 1071st Maintenance Company are attending Annual Training (AT) at Camp Grayling. The units provide the Camp a multitude of services both during the year on Inactive Duty Training and during AT.

Six Viking runners will compete in the Class C State Finals at Cassopolis. Qualifiers include Beth Jones, Lisa Radebaugh, Jean Stevens, Jill Headlee, Karen Hanson, and Shelly Peterson.

A two weekend football training camp was concluded Saturday for Middle School 7th and 8th graders, conducted by the Grayling High School staff. Head football coach, Bill Klinger said the 55 students who attended were taught basic football fundamentals and conditioning.

The Parks and Recreation Commission has been notified by the Northeast Manpower Consortium of which Crawford County is a member, that it has been awarded financial grants totaling approximately \$46,000 for special projects.

On Saturday, May 10, 18 students from Grayling Elementary School participated in the Area 4 Summer Special Olympics held in West Branch. Participants include Tracy Reisinger,

Michelle Hatley, Tommy Dean, Bill Reichelderfer, Steve Belcher, David Argue, Pepper Gorten, Chris Wylie, Chris Jenney, Robbie Montgomery, Jeff Reichelderfer, Joey Kriener, Jeff Wrona, Michelle Mitchell, Bobby Rollins, Stephanie McMurry, Angie Piehl and Rita Gammon.

The Grayling Area Jaycees announced that the "Name the Festival Contest" was won by Stacy Robinson. The name of the festival will be "The AuSable Canoe Carnival."

46 Years Ago
May 23, 1957

An excellent crowd of proud parents turned out to see their children perform in the First Annual May Festival presented by the students of the first six grades of Grayling Public School, under the sponsorship of the PTA.

The Grayling High Viking track team travels to Charlevoix for the last track meet of the season. Grayling sent six men to the State Meet after they qualified at the Regional Meet the previous Saturday.

A white fox, possibly an albino, was reported seen recently a few miles north of Grayling in Crawford County.

The first donation of this season to the Grayling Memorial Recreation Area was received from Mrs. Ella Hanson Wilcox.

Mac's Drug Store will have its Grand Opening Sale this Friday and Saturday. The store has been completely refurbished, redecorated and restyled. Free plastic aprons for the ladies and cigars

for the men.

Showing this week at the theatre is "Three Brave Men" with Frank Lovejoy and Ray Milland.

69 Years Ago
May 25, 1934

Very effective were the decorations in the Seniors' colors - blue and silver, which turned the school gym into a lovely ball room. The occasion was the annual Junior Prom. Miss Clara Atkinson and Robert Sorenson led the grand march, closely followed by Emil Kraus, representing the seniors, with his sister, Yvonne.

Portraits of this year's graduating class are on display in the window of the Connine Grocery Store. The store is sponsoring a popular vote contest rewarding the senior holding the most votes with a \$20 cash prize.

Mrs. Lois Klein, a resident in the eastern part of Grayling Township, purchased several milk cows from Peter Reuter, thus increasing her dairy herd.

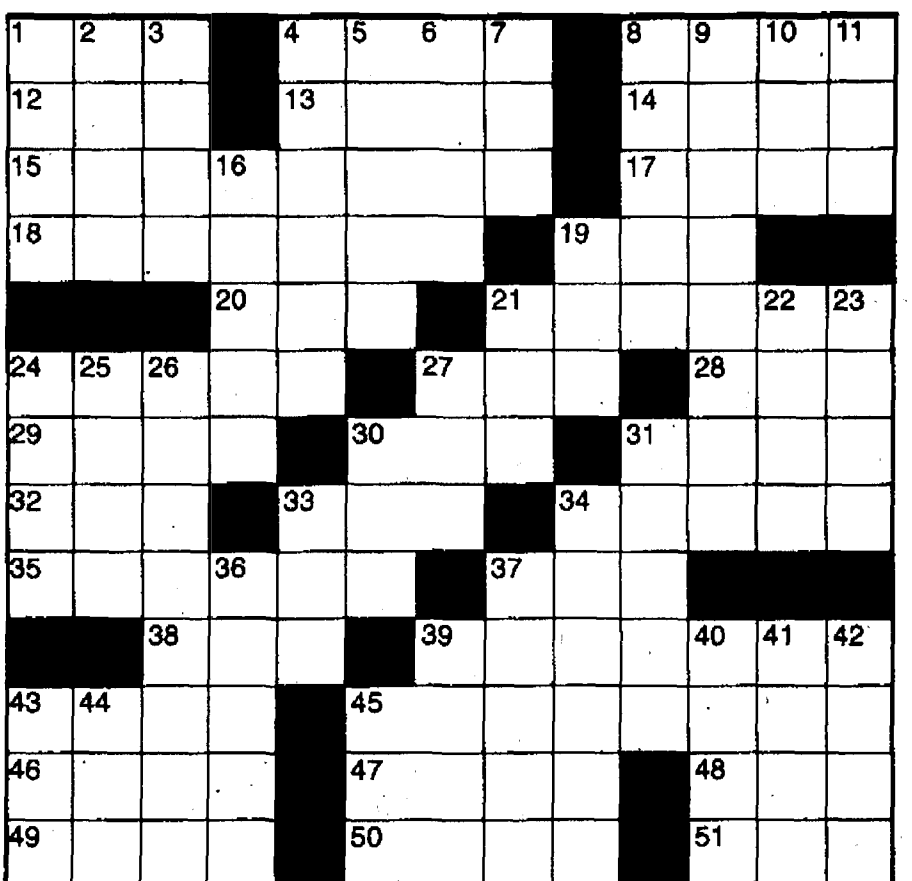
In a recent washing machine campaign sponsored by the Michigan Public Service Company, Don Reynolds, local manager, won first prize by selling the most washing machines during April.

92 Years Ago
May 25, 1911

Four inches of rain fell here Sunday within two hours and half as much on Monday, with terrific thunder and lightning.

The fishing season is open and in full blast. Quite a number at the Douglas House in Lovells. They all say the fish are plentiful.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

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13. Humorous author Bombeck
14. Animal pelt
15. Trapped
17. Caddie's kin
18. Clings
19. Faulkner's _____ Lay Dying (2 wds.)
20. Mon.-Fri. midpoint
21. Short snooze
24. Steam
27. Farm sound
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29. Yankee Doodle's transport
30. 60 secs.
31. AOL subscriber
32. _____ it out!
33. Lump
34. Item of value
35. Bee abode
37. "Man _____ Thousand Faces" (2 wds.)
38. Sapless
39. Raw deal
43. Grain locale
45. Brit's solo card game
46. Mat or mate starter
47. Songwriter Wilder
48. French refusal
49. End for tip or pun
50. Turner or Sinatra
51. Vane dir.

DOWN

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2. Do a bookmaking job
3. Gauze
4. Brought up
5. Goofed
6. Home of the Cyclones
7. "_____ About You"
8. 1990 Swayze title role
9. Greasy quality
10. "The _____ Couple"
11. WWII convoy ships
16. Just recently
19. Battery size
21. Prince Albert's home?
22. Critic James
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25. Clever accomplishment
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27. Wife or life beginning
30. Nichols' partner
31. Customary practice
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34. Algeria's locale
36. Passion
37. Of a cereal grain
39. Hope's "Road To _____"
40. Prince Charles' sister
41. Church image
42. Hawaiian bird
43. "The Subject _____ Roses"
44. Means of escape
45. Singer Boone

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



Caribbean Chicken Salad with Peanuts

- 1 head romaine lettuce, torn into pieces
- 1/2 cup sliced green onions
- 1 cup shredded grilled chicken
- 1 papaya, halved, seeded, peeled and sliced
- 1 cup raspberries
- 1/2 cup peanuts

Chutney Dressing

In blender or food processor combine 1/2 cup each peanuts and mayonnaise, 1/4 cup chutney, 2 tablespoons each sugar and raspberry vinegar, and 1 teaspoon curry

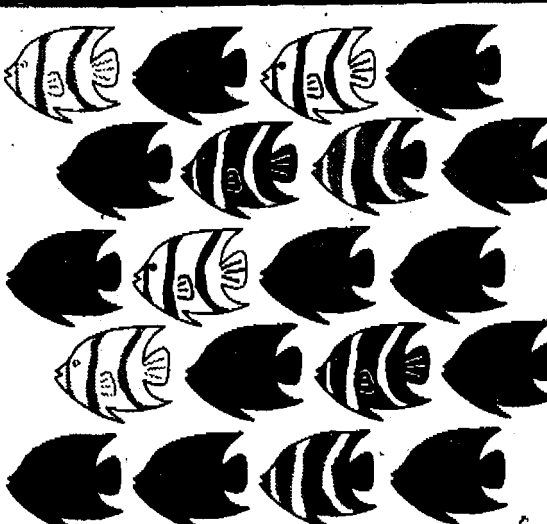
powder; blend until smooth. Makes about 1 1/3 cups of dressing.

Prepare Chutney Dressing and set aside. Toss lettuce with green onions and divide among 4 serving plates. Top with chicken, papaya slices and raspberries; sprinkle with peanuts. Serve with Chutney Dressing. Yield: 4 servings (1/4 salad per serving).

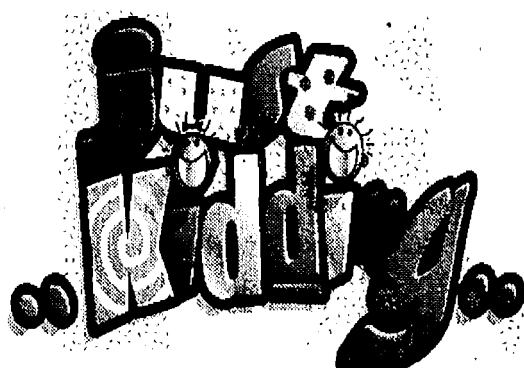
Nutrition Per Serving: 605 cal; 38 g carb; 26 g pro; 43 g fat; 43 mg chol; 9 g fiber; 221 mg sod. (Source: USDA Handbook #8.)

For more recipes, visit the National Peanut Board web site at www.nationalpeanutboard.org.

Hide And Seek

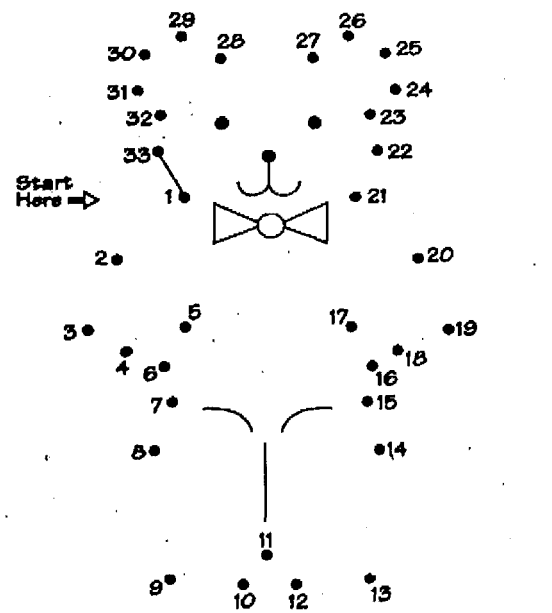
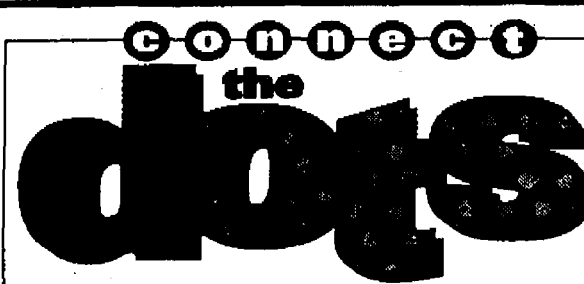


1. How many gray fish with black stripes can you find?
2. How many black fish with white stripes?
3. How many white fish with any color stripes?
4. Find one fish with no stripes.
5. How many fish are in the school?



DID YOU KNOW

The pound sign (#) is called an **anoctothorpe**.



Adopt a Pet



Patsy is a 4 month old Husky mix puppy. She is spayed and has all her shots. As you can see, she is a very pretty little girl.

Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal_director@yahoo.com.

Winter was especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, and Wild Animal-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the Avalanche for either item.

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December 22- January 19
You've been working too many hours. It's time to cut back on your workload and catch up on all of things you've been putting off.



March 21- April 19
Asking others for help has never been easy, but this week, you'll have to swallow your pride and reach out. A deadline is approaching and you need all of the help you can get.



June 22- July 22
You will finally reap the benefits of a promise you made good on in the past. Enjoy your good fortune and don't forget to share it with others.



September 23- October 22
You're near the edge. Calm down and participate in an activity that will alleviate your stress. Then look for a more permanent solution.



January 20- February 18
It won't be easy, but with a little work, you can turn a situation around at home. Talk to everyone involved and take the steps necessary to relieve the tension and resolve the problem.



April 20- May 20
As a special date approaches, you need to decide how to celebrate it. Will you invite some friends over for a dinner party or spend the day alone? Make up your mind soon before everyone makes other plans.



July 23- August 22
You're in a funk because a good friend is leaving town. Stop thinking about yourself and do what you can to help make your friend's transition smooth.



October 23- November 21
You are invited to the party of the year! Toss aside your reservations about the host and join in the festivities. You deserve some fun.



January 19- February 20
Now is not the time to be pushy. What has happened at home is over and done with. Leave it alone. A coworker returns a favor.



May 21- June 21
You may walk in on a private conversation and hear something you shouldn't. Don't spread the news! It's not yours to tell.



August 23- September 22
You realize that a relative may have been misjudged. Speak up and defend them! If the situation were reversed, they would do the same for you.



November 22- December 21
Friendships can be quite complicated. One of yours, however, seems to be more difficult than it's worth. Before you sever all ties, consider what life would be like without you.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week

Date	H	L	Rain
5/14	62	34	
5/15	73	35	
5/16	66	37	
5/17	58	39	
5/18	64	40	
5/19	74	46	
5/20	76	48	

Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
High 62	High 67	High 67	High 63	High 66	High 66
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Sylvester's and Kerstock Builders line up for pre-game on Opening Day.

Little League opens 2003 season

Players, parents, coaches, and volunteers of Grayling Little League (GLL) endured blustery winds, unseasonably low temperatures, and damp dugouts to play the first games of the season on Monday, May 12.

The 2003 season was initiated by a Minor League game between Weyerhaeuser and Mercy Hospital on McNamara Field. The opener "was a barn-burner, with the kids making solid contact with the ball," Weyerhaeuser coach Brian Burrell said.

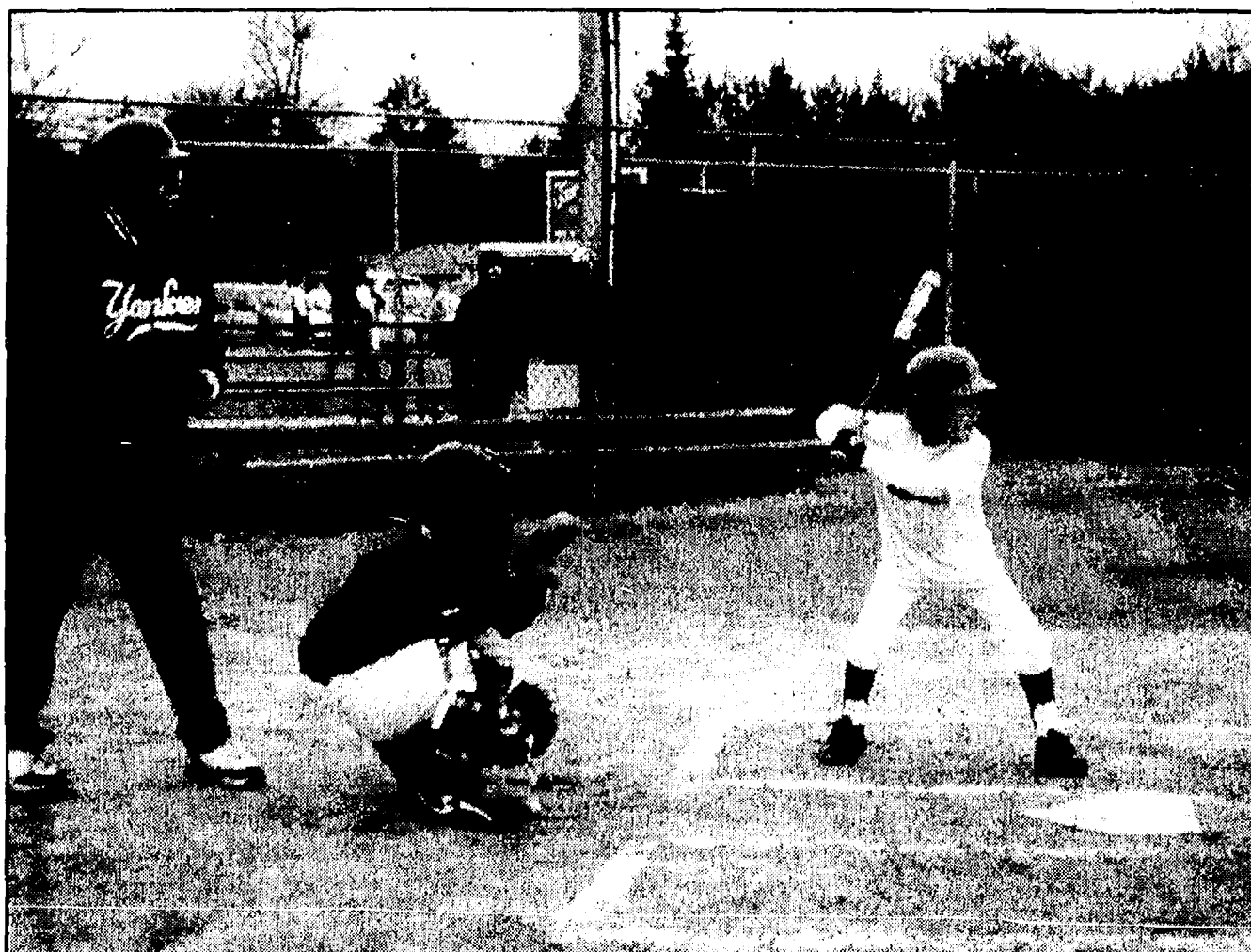
The Intermediate League christened Millikin Field with a showdown between Sylvester's and Kernstock Builders. "The kids were so excited to get out here, to play or postpone the game was not a tough decision to make once we saw how much they wanted to play," said Kernstock Builders coach Rob Aubry.

The coaches agreed that the pitching machines would not tolerate the damp weather and the teams opted to coach-pitch in place of the machines.

"Overall, it was a memorable opener," league officials said.

By Tuesday, when the season opened at McIsaac Field with a Major League game between Grayling Car Care and AJD Forest Products, the weather had improved enough to make the evening much more enjoyable.

Grayling Little League currently has 10 teams playing in



Photos courtesy of Grayling Little League

Luke Schneider bats on Opening Day of Grayling Little League's 2003 season. Catcher is Steven Enos, and umpire is Doug Wilson.



Little League parents and fans (left to right) Amber Meech, Sherri Aubry, and Shelly Tobin bundle up to fend off Opening Day elements.

three divisions. Junior League and Girls Softball will start shortly and they will add five more teams to the schedule.

In other Little League news, the GLL Board recently announced that Grayling will host an Intermediate and Major League All-Star tournament June 14 and 15 at Millikin Field. The

board also announced the winners of the raffle held on Registration Night at the Holiday Inn on March 26. Winners included Sarah Goodyear, Daniel DuVall, Jordan Luce, and Ann Hamlin.

The board received word this month from Little League headquarters that the league Safety

Plan has been approved. The plan was written during the winter months and outlines league compliance with key safety issues both on and off the field. The league earns credit towards charter and tournament dues by complying with the safety plan.

"The Safety Plan is an important step in showing that Grayling Little League is striving to provide an excellent program for area youth," said league Safety Officer Tracy Wilson. "Safety for our players, coaches, and volunteers is extremely important to us."

One major change in Little League this year came directly through the charter. The change requires that all league volunteers complete an application and pass a background check before beginning duties for the league. "The board is pleased that all coaches and volunteers have complied with this requirement," a league official said.

Grayling Little League games are open to the public. Games are played Monday through Thursday at 5:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m., and 7 p.m. at Millikin, McNamara, or McIsaac Field. Games continue through June.

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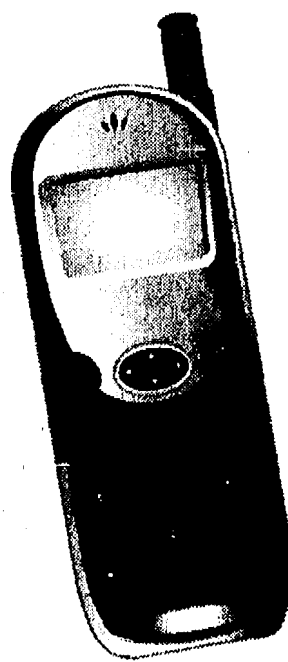
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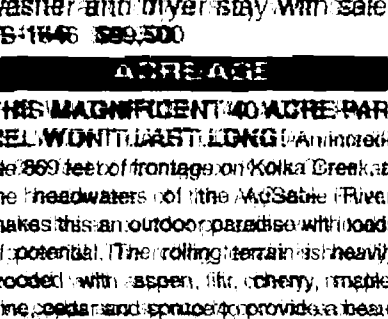
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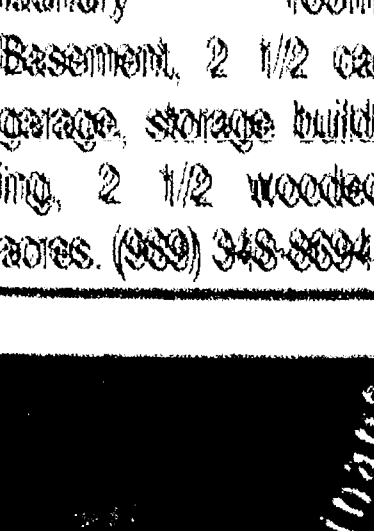
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HOUSE FOR RENT 6274 Old Lake Rd. One bedroom, stove, refrigerator included. Newly remodeled. \$350 month plus \$350 security. No pets. Utilities not included. (989) 348-4716 (5/22/03tf/2)

3. Employment

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NEWER 1/2 LOG CABIN ONLY 65 FEET FROM RIVER on two lots. Lot 2 could be sold by buyer. Interior is knotty pine with oak kitchen cabinets, Pergo and carpet floors. Also has an extra special fieldstone fireplace. Includes most furniture. GB-1732 \$227,900



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A FINE HOME FOR A BIG FAMILY! This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home comes with countertops, detached 2-car garage, and central air. Surrounded by beautiful pine and oak trees. Also, has a wood burning fireplace. Deeded access to Bear Lake. A definite must see! GB-1564 \$69,900



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NEW 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath home only minutes from town in a quite neighborhood. Energy efficient home with natural gas heat and central air. Attached garage with electric opener. Beautifully landscaped yard with perennial garden. FF-1688 \$93,500



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3. Employment

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Help Wanted
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Applications are being accepted for a full-time Guest Service Representative and part-time Night Auditor. Please apply at the front desk. No phone calls please. 2650 I-75 Business Loop Grayling, MI 49738

3. Employment

MEDICAL RECORDS Data Integrity Specialist Mercy Hospital, Grayling is seeking an experienced person to work part-time in the collection, retrieval and summarization of data gleaned from medical records. The successful candidate will have RHIT, RHIA, LPN, RN (or equivalent) and experience in health information, quality management or risk management. Must be experienced in Data collection and medical records review. We offer competitive wages and excellent fringe benefits. Qualified persons please contact: Human Resources, Mercy Hospital Grayling, 1100 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (989) 348-0528. Fax (989) 348-0485. (-22/3)

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MECHANIC Environmental service company seeking certified heavy duty mechanic to work on trucks, trailers and equipment. Full time position with benefits. Please apply at Northern A-1 Services, 2305 N. US 131, Kalkaska. EOE (22/3)

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3. Employment

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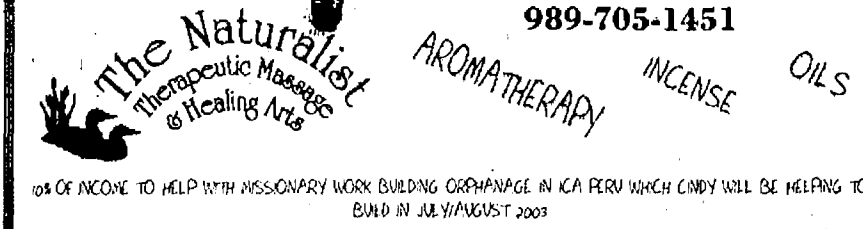
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NOTICE OF SALE OF EASEMENT
ACROSS DEDICATED STATE-OWNED LANDS
LAND TRANSACTION CASE NO. 19980106

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 2133, Part 21, Subpart 10 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, that the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) proposes to sell the following State-owned land or rights in land by direct sale:

Crawford County, Grayling Township, T27N, R3W, Section 21: Centerline of proposed easement (20 ft. wide) over existing trail for ingress and egress and public utilities from M-93 Highway to the west line of the E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 21, T27N, R3W, Grayling Twp., Crawford Co., MI. Described as being over part of the W 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of said Sec. 21. Centerline of said 20 ft. easement beginning at a point on the west line of the E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of said Sec. 21 located distant N 88° 06' 10" W along the north line of said Sec. 21 a distance of 1,308.72 ft. and S 01° 06' 35" W 953.89 ft. from the N 1/4 corner of said Sec. 21. Thence along center line of existing trail the following courses and distances: N 88° 23' W 272.43 ft. and N 27° 23' W 184.60 ft. and N 43° 36' W 146.97 ft. and N 16° 15' W 212.82 ft. and N 41° 05' W 167.88 ft. to the point of ending in the centerline of M-93 Highway. (0.45 Acres)

The proposed sale is being placed on the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Agenda for public comment prior to being approved by the MDNR Director. The next meeting of the Natural Resources Commission is scheduled at the following date, time and location:

June 5, 2003
4:30 P.M.
Holiday Inn Express
1255 North Dixie Highway
Monroe, Michigan

Public appearances before the NRC will begin at 4:30 P.M. and may be scheduled by calling Ms. Theresa Gloden, NRC Secretary, at 517-373-2352. PLEASE NOTE: This notice is not a solicitation for bids. Further information concerning this case is available by contacting Ms. Renee Tober, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Office of Land and Facilities, P.O. Box 30448, Lansing, MI 48909-7948, or via e-mail at toberre@michigan.gov. Phone 517-373-1240.

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10. Garage Sales

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GARAGE SALE 800 Ionia, May 23 and 24. 9:00-4:00 Avon, weight set, hunting bow, household items. (-22/10)

306 MIKADO Saturday through Monday. 9:00-? (-22/10)

GRANDMOTHER OF Garage Sales Antiques, glassware, designer and name brand clothes, (size petite to 28), books, jewelry, bar-b-que grill. stuff for toddlers to grandpas. High end and priced to sell. Friday - Monday, May 23-26. 9 a.m. until ? 8731 W. Beaver Rd., (off Military Rd.). See you there. (-22/10)

2. Garage Sales

LARGE GARAGE SALE May 22, 23 and 24. (Thursday, Friday, Saturday) from 9:00-5:00. Full size bed and frame, rocker glider, recliner chair, duck decoys, table and chairs, Tupperware, home interiors, small boat with trailer, BB guns, tools, clothes, file cabinets, microwave and much more. 8080 Finch Lane off of Lake Margrethe Blvd. (-22/10)

WE ARE OVERSTOCKED! Husband says get rid of it before he gets home from golfing. Don't miss this one Friday, May 23. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Six miles east of Grayling on M-72 just before Stephan Bridge Rd. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE 1559 River Drive. M-72 W to Arrowhead to Tamarack Circle to River Drive. snowmobile, snowblower, generator, much more. Saturday, May 24. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-22/10)

TIME TO GO Yard Sale. Fishing boats, camping gear, guns, sports gear, lawn tractor with snow blower. Lots of miscellaneous Tamarack Circle off Arrowhead. Saturday, May 24, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE May 24, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. toys, baby items, books, some clothes, lots of miscellaneous. 3083 Babbitt, Maple Forest Township. Canceled if raining. (-15-22/10)

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS and lots of men's stuff. Friday - Sunday, 8:00 to 3:00 Breakfast Pt. 1 1/4 mile east of Grayling on M-72 E. (-22/10)

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YARD SALE May 22, 23 and 24. 8144 Finch Lane, 9:00-5:00. Girls clothes (12 months to size 8), 29 gal. aquarium and accessories, men's and ladies clothes, Christmas decorations, toys, children's books, kitchen table and chairs, 19" TV, two full size mattress sets, bikes, kayak. (-22/10)

GRAYLING RE-DO-IT Resale Shop 50% off sale, furniture, knick knacks, dishes, etc. May 23-26, 111 Vilas St. 9:00 to 5:00 (989) 348-2856 (-22/10)

PRE MOVING/GARAGE SALE EVERYTHING reduced in price. 6152 Sam Rd. (Karen Woods) Friday - Monday, May 23-26, 9:00-? (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE May 24, 9:00-5:00 at 1799 Bernard Blvd (by Viking Village). (-22/10)

ANTIQUÉ GLASS and Garage Sale. 1350 W. Federal Highway, Roscommon. One mile East of I-75, exit 244. Friday, May 23 - Monday, May 26. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-15-22/10)

YARD SALE Friday and Saturday, 23 and 24, 9:00-4:00. 1083 M-72 East, 6 1/2 miles east of Grayling. Baby furniture, lots of baby items. Some furniture, miscellaneous items. (-22/10)

ONE DAY ONLY Saturday, May 24. Some antique furniture, sportsman books/collectibles, clothes, much more. 9-4 p.m. 429 Evergreen Dr. (-22/10)

3. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 24, 9:00-2:00. Wide variety of stuff. 744 S. Roberts, 1/3 mile north of hospital. (-22/10)

DOWNSIZING at 4946 Helen Drive, off Roberts Road, on May 22, 23, 24, from 9:00-5:00. Clean, some never worn girls clothes, sizes 10-16, some half sizes, hair accessories, tapes, toys, karaoke machine, books, clothes, suitcase bags, jewelry, drapes, rods, bed skirt, picture frames, single bed box springs and frame, Mediterranean bedroom set, picnic table, umbrella table, outdoor chairs, sleds, Barbie furniture, etc. (-22/10)

SIX FAMILY GARAGE SALE Rain or shine. 7522 Merrio Rd., follow signs at Five Mile Rd. and Old 27. May 22-24. 9:00-5:00 (-22/10)

NEIGHBORHOOD SALE 5 1/2 miles East on M-72 turn left on Pappy's Trail follow signs. Children's and adults, furniture, clothes, toys and more. Starts Friday, May 23, 10 - 5 p.m. (-22/10)

HIDE-A-BED good condition. \$75; two Power Riders \$50 ea. Wieder gym, microwave, satellite TV equipment (989) 348-4849. Saturday, 6637 George Ct. (-22/10)

YARD SALE Saturday only. May 24, 3755 Jones Lake Rd. Bikes, household items, toys and miscellaneous items. (-22/10)

MOVING SALE May 16-18 and May 23-26. Items include adult clothing, household items, some furniture items, collectibles, fabrics and sewing notions, patterns (bulk sale only), woodworking tools, etc. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 1978 Royal Coachman Drive, Grayling. from Grayling take M-72 W to Goose Creek Rd. (about 8 miles), right on Goose Creek Rd. 1.2 miles to Barkley Rd. Right on Barkley one mile to Royal Coachman then one mile to last driveway on right. (-15-22/10)

LOTS OF twin girls clothing, sizes birth to 24 mos. Miscellaneous household items, tools, etc. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, May 22 to 24, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 607 Ionia, Grayling. Corner of Ionia and Park. (-22/10)

MULTIPLE FAMILY GARAGE SALE May 23, 24, 25, 9:00-5:00. No early sales, 10 miles east of Grayling on M-72 East. Name brand boys clothes, baby clothes, computer games, toys, over 20 Disney movies, dishes, lots of household items, bikes, compact music discs, four guns. (-22/10)

GARAGE/PRE-MOVING SALE Friday-Sunday, 9 a.m. to ? Women's plus clothes, men's, furniture, lots of household, 1158 Ole Dam Road. Sale across the street too! (-22/10)

THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE Furniture, clothes, and miscellaneous items. Friday and Saturday, 9:00-4:00, 15968 M-72, turn in Dave's Mobile Home Transporting. (-22/10)

3846 JONES LAKE RD. off North Down River Rd. left Wilcox Bridge, right on Jones Lake. May 24-26, 9:00-7:00 p.m. Household items, weight bench, weights brand new, dehumidifier, clothing. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Matching baby crib, changing table, dresser. Booster/car seats, baby clothes/toys, Precious Moments figurines, household items, downhill skis/boots. Another garage sale across the street. Friday and Saturday. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1159 Ole Dam Road. (-22/10)

TWO FAMILY Furniture, gun cabinet, lawn mower, sewing machines, high chair, computer, microwave, convection oven, holiday decorations, houseware, 2419 M-72 East. Thursday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-22/10)

4. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE 221 Dale St. North from North Down River Rd. Wednesday, May 21 thru Tuesday, May 27. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Bread machine, electric mixer, crock pot, cookbooks, tablecloths, antique items, bedspread, blanket, towels, placemats, shoes and clothing also many new Christmas decorations plus much more. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE 305 Elm St., Grayling. Saturday and Sunday only. 9:00-5:00. (-22/10)

MAY 23, 24 & 25, 8 till ? 3165 Jones Lake Rd., Grayling. (-22/10)

LARGE YARD SALE at 4530 West Five Mile Road from 8:00-? on east side of 75. (-22/10)

THUNDERWING BARN SALE 2351 N. Manistee River Rd. Saturday, May 24, 9:00-4:00 p.m. Couch, braided rugs, desk, small cedar chest, floor lamps, wood burning stoves, sewing machines, hand knit sweaters plus household items. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE May 23, 24, 25, 9 a.m. 4 p.m. Rough sawn cedar, 14' boat trailer, motor, collectibles, linens, floor model radio, books, tools, knives, hunting, fishing equipment, long guns, sawbuck table, antique hanging lamp. Much, much more. Warbler Hideaway, East of Lovells R., off North Down River, follow signs. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Saturday - Monday, 9:00 till ? Baby items, infant/toddler clothing to 4T, junior girls clothing, Harry Potter twin comforter set, woman's medium Columbia coat, household miscellaneous. Corner of Lake and Galen. (-22/10)

HUGE GARAGE SALE Clothes, furniture, antiques, tools, mowers, camper, boat, chainsaw parts. Too much to mention. Saturday and Sunday, 9 till 5 p.m. 1227 S. Hoot Owl Lane. North Down to right on Headquarters to Richardson, follow signs. (-22/10)

YARD SALE Saturday, May 24, 9:00-5:00. 10070 Monroe Ave., off McIntyre's Landing. (-22/10)

THURSDAY - MONDAY 9:30-5:30 Corner of 700 Plum and Lake. Crafts, sport cards, Pokemon, Elvis, War, Star Trek cards, movies, games, albums, comics, dolls, Beanie's, Power Ranger, Toys, books, crochet, magazines, clothes, Motherhood shirts. (-22/10)

MAY 23, 24, 25, 26, 10:00-4:00. Estate Yard Sale. .201 Crestwood, Grayling Mobile Estates. Furniture, dishes, lots more. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Frederic, 6568 Manistee St. May 24, 25 and 26. 9:00-5:00 Homelite generator, 14 ft. fishing boat with trailer, some tools, 27 ft. travel trailer fully self contained, three piece living room furniture, dresser, end tables, baby crib, high chair, kitchen things, glasses, pictures, luggage, bikes, roll bar, CB parts, fishing gear, some bedding and much more. Lots of odds and ends. (-22/10)

GARAGE SALE Saturday, 5/24/03, 9:00-5:00. Children's toys and clothing. 329 Red Tailed Hawk Loop. (-22/10)

LARGE SALE Grandma's stuff, furniture, new building materials, electrical, plumbing, boats, miscellaneous. Friday, Saturday, Sunday. One mile north of Grayling at Timberly Village Park. (-22/10)

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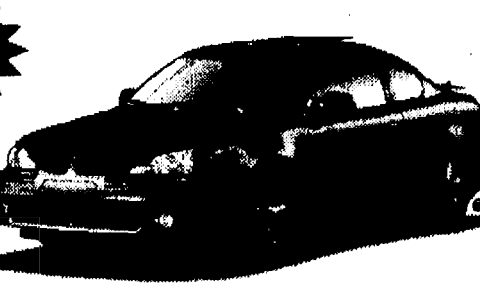
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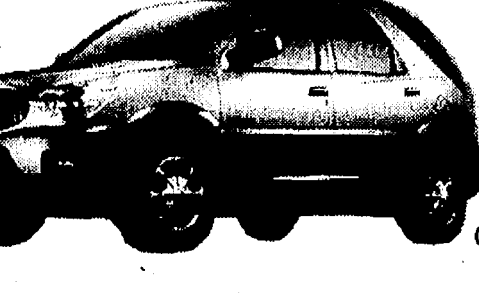
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